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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2 TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010 BEGINS ON PAGE 131.]
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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS
7 AFTERNOON'S MEETING. THIS AFTERNOON, OUR INVOCATION WILL BE
8 LED BY THE REVEREND DR. KEN WALDEN OF LAKEWOOD FIRST UNITED
9 METHODIST CHURCH. OUR PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY
10 JOSEPH SAPIEN, AMERICAN LEGION IN RESEDA. WILL YOU ALL PLEASE
11 STAND?
12

13 **DR. KEN WALDEN:** LET US PRAY. WE PAUSE IN ORDER TO SEEK DIVINE
14 GUIDANCE, STRENGTH AND WISDOM. OUR COMMUNITY IS CONSTANTLY
15 CHANGING WITH COMPETING DEMANDS. BLESSINGS UPON OUR COUNTY OF
16 LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HELP THEM TO BE FAITHFUL
17 STEWARDS OF THEIR JURISDICTIONS, AND MAY THEY GOVERN THEM
18 FAIRLY. STRENGTHEN OUR ENTIRE POLITICAL SYSTEM, INCLUDING ALL
19 OF THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED PERSONS. MAY OUR BELOVED LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY PROSPER IN A GROWING PEACE AND HARMONY. AND ALL
21 WHO ARE IN AGREEMENT SAY AMEN.
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23 **JOSEPH SAPIEN:** PLEASE FOLLOW ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
24 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]
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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
4 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A
5 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO THE REVEREND DR. KEN WALDEN,
6 WHO GAVE US THAT VERY NICE INVOCATION TODAY. REVEREND WALDEN
7 BECAME SENIOR PASTOR AT THE LAKEWOOD FIRST UNITED METHODIST
8 CHURCH IN JULY OF 2009. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM
9 THE CITADEL, A MASTER'S OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM DUKE
10 UNIVERSITY DIVINITY SCHOOL, AND DOCTOR OF MINISTRY DEGREE FROM
11 THE GRADUATE THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION. HE IS AN ORDAINED ELDER
12 IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. HE IS A UNITED STATES AIR
13 FORCE CHAPLAIN CAPTAIN RESERVIST SERVING AT MARCH AIR RESERVE
14 BASE. CURRENTLY A STUDENT AT CLAREMONT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY,
15 PURSUING A PHD IN PRACTICAL THEOLOGY WITH AN EMPHASIS IN
16 PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING. REVEREND WALDEN'S PASTORAL
17 EXPERIENCE INCLUDES PASTORING AT THE NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL
18 CONFERENCE, DETROIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND CURRENTLY IN THE
19 PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE. HE IS MARRIED TO MICHELLE AND LIVES
20 IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. AND WE'D JUST
21 LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO REVEREND WALDEN FOR TAKING THE TIME
22 OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US THIS AFTERNOON AND LEAD US
23 IN THE INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, REVEREND. SUPERVISOR
2 YAROSLAVSKY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE WERE LED THIS
5 MORNING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY JOSEPH SAPIEN, A
6 RESIDENT OF, RESEDA, WHO IS REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LEGION
7 POST IN RESEDA, ONE OF OUR ACTIVE AMERICAN LEGION POSTS.
8 JOSEPH SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM JULY 2001 THROUGH
9 SEPTEMBER 2003. HE RECEIVED THE ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE
10 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, THE ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY
11 MEDAL, THE IRAQ CAMPAIGN MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM
12 EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL, THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL
13 AND ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL AND THE ARMY SERVICE RIBBON. HE
14 IS A VETERAN COUNSELOR WITH THE L.A. COUNTY MILITARY VETERANS
15 AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. HE HAS LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT FOR ONE YEAR.
16 AND YOU ATTENDED CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE, RIGHT?

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18 **JOSEPH SAPIEN:** I'M STILL THERE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** STILL THERE. STILL ATTENDING CAL STATE
21 NORTHRIDGE, GOOD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, JOSEPH, FOR LEADING US
22 IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO
23 OUR NATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
6 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND
7 2-D.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY
10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
13 AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 3-H. ON ITEM NO. 1-H, THERE IS A
14 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ITEMS
15 2-H AND 3-H ARE BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S
19 NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. ON
22 ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
23 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE
24 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF
3 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR,
6 ITEMS 9 THROUGH 43. ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 11, THERE'S A
8 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
9 NO. 12, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
10 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 13, 2010. ON ITEM NO. 21, THERE'S A
11 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
12 NO. 22, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF
13 BEACHES AND HARBORS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
14 TO HIS DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 23, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
15 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 26, THE DIRECTOR OF
16 BEACHES AND HARBORS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
17 TO HIS DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 29, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT 29?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 29. ON ITEM NO. 33, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
23 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 33. ON ITEM NO. 42, AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR
4 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY
5 13, 2010. ON ITEM NO. -- EXCUSE ME. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS
6 UNDER CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
9 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF
10 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 21, ORDINANCES FOR
13 INTRODUCTION. ITEMS 44 AND 445. ON ITEM NO. 44, SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
15 JULY 13, 2010. ON ITEM NO. 45, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN
16 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A WATER PIPELINE
17 FRANCHISE TO LAS FLORES WATER COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA
18 CORPORATION, FOR THE TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER
19 FOR A PERIOD OF 15 YEARS, AND THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THERE IS NO
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 22, SEPARATE MATTERS, ON ITEM NO.
2 46, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS
3 THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR A
4 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE SANTA
5 MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION OF 2006 GENERAL
6 OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES C, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT
7 NOT TO EXCEED \$65 MILLION. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THAT ITEM, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
10 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 47 AS INDICATED
14 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD REQUESTS
15 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JULY 20, 2010.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT CONTINUANCE.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 23, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
20 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
21 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO.
22 48-A, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
23 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 48-B, SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 48-C,
25 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ALSO REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON



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1 PAGE 25, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM NO. CS-2, THE
2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
3 TWO WEEKS TO JULY 20, 2010.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM WAS THAT?

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CS-2. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
8 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS?

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE JUST HAVE A LITTLE -- HE'S SMALL.
14 IT'S A LITTLE BOY, CASPER. HE'S A YEAR AND A HALF OLD. A
15 CHIHUAHUA MIX WITH A LITTLE DOXIE, I THINK. AND ANYBODY WHO
16 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE CASPER, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644.
17 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE
18 CASPER. ANYBODY FROM THE MEDIA? MAKE HIM A TV STAR? WE NEED
19 SOME NEW SERIES, SOME OF THE OTHER ONES WENT TO THE DOGS. THIS
20 ONE WILL MAYBE ELEVATE THEM. OKAY, LITTLE CASPER. SO YOU CALL
21 562-728-4644, OR ANYBODY HERE? OKAY, CASPER.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR
24 PRESENTATION?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND
2 COLLEAGUES. I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO
3 PRESENT YET ANOTHER ALL-AMERICAN CITY. AND WE HAVE WITH US THE
4 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF LYNWOOD, MAYOR MARIA SANTILLAN,
5 MAYOR PRO TEM AIDE CASTRO, COUNCILMEMBER JIM MORTON, CITY
6 MANAGER ROGER HALEY, AND A PART OF THE CITY'S ADMINISTRATIVE
7 TEAM, DANIEL BAKER. IT WAS IN 1949 THAT THE NATIONAL CIVIC
8 LEAGUE DEVELOPED THE ALL-AMERICAN CITY AWARD. THAT PROGRAM WAS
9 TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND HONOR MUNICIPALITIES THROUGH THE UNITED
10 STATES, THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES THAT DEMONSTRATED GREAT
11 CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT. EACH YEAR, THE ORGANIZATION DESIGNATES 10
12 MUNICIPALITIES AS ALL-AMERICAN CITIES FOR THE YEAR BASED ON
13 ENTRIES FROM HUNDREDS OF AMERICAN CITIES. THE SECOND DISTRICT
14 AND LYNWOOD IN PARTICULAR HAS A STRONG, DISTINCTIVE HISTORY IN
15 THE COMPETITION. LYNWOOD RECEIVED THE HONOR IN 1961 AND WAS
16 NAMED A FINALIST IN THE COMPETITION OF 1991. FOUR SECOND
17 DISTRICT CITIES HAVE EARNED THE AWARD SINCE THE PROGRAM'S
18 INCEPTION, AND LYNWOOD IS ONE OF ONLY THREE L.A. COUNTY CITIES
19 TO BE NAMED AN ALL-AMERICA CITY MORE THAN ONCE. THE 2010 ENTRY
20 GUIDELINES REQUIRED CITIES TO SUBMIT THREE PROJECTS THAT
21 MANIFESTED THEIR CHARACTER AS ALL-AMERICA CITIES. AND
22 LYNWOOD'S ENTRY INCLUDED THEIR BRUSH WITH KINDNESS PROGRAM IN
23 WHICH THEY PARTNERED WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AND COUNTY
24 EMPLOYEES TO RENOVATE LYNWOOD'S -- MANY RESIDENTS IN LYNWOOD.
25 ADDITIONALLY, THE CITY SHOWCASED ITS ADVANCED SURVEILLANCE



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1 CAMERA PROGRAM WHICH OPERATED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND FINALLY, THE CITY PROMOTED ITS
3 LYNWOOD YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION PROGRAM TO CLAIM A NATIONAL
4 CIVIC LEAGUE PRESTIGIOUS COMPETITION. AS A RESULT OF ALL OF
5 THESE PROJECTS IN CITY OF LYNWOOD, LYNWOOD WAS ABLE TO IMPRESS
6 THE NATIONAL JUDGES AT THE THREE-DAY ALL-AMERICA CITY AWARDS
7 PROGRAM. THIS TOOK PLACE JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO IN KANSAS CITY,
8 MISSOURI. AND IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE THE CITY OF
9 LYNWOOD FOR ITS GREAT ACHIEVEMENT AND ITS ENTHUSIASM FOR
10 PROVIDING RESOURCEFUL AND INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO THE
11 CHALLENGES THAT FACE THE RESIDENTS OF THAT CITY AND SETTING AN
12 EXAMPLE FOR MUNICIPALITIES NEARBY. AND SO WE WANT TO COMMEND
13 THE CITY OF LYNWOOD FOR CAPTURING THIS GREAT AWARD, BEING
14 NAMED 2010 ALL-AMERICAN CITY AND BRINGING BACK THE BACON BACK
15 TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GIVE A BIG
16 ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO THE CITY OF LYNWOOD! [APPLAUSE.] MADAM
17 MAYOR, WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A WORD?

18

19 **MARIA SANTILLAN:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 FOR ALLOWING US TO BE HERE THIS AFTERNOON. THE CITY OF LYNWOOD
21 HAS HAD MANY CHALLENGES, AND WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO OVERCOME THEM.
22 IN A COUPLE OF YEARS, A COUPLE OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS STOOD IN
23 FRONT YOU AND ASKED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HELP. SO
24 THANKS TO THE COMMUNITY, OUR STAFF, OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
25 THE CITY COUNCIL, WE WERE ABLE TO UNITE AND ACTUALLY WIN THIS



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1 GREAT RECOGNITION FOR OUR CITY. THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

2 AND WE BROUGHT YOU A T-SHIRT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** I BETTER NOT WEAR THIS IN CERRITOS, HUH?

5 [LAUGHTER.]

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, YOU'LL KNOW THAT THEY FOUGHT
10 HARD. AND THEY PARTIED ALL NIGHT LONG I UNDERSTAND WHEN THEY
11 WERE IN KANSAS CITY AFTER THEY TOOK THAT CHAMPIONSHIP. WE
12 OUGHT TO GIVE THEM ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THE CITY OF
13 LYNWOOD IS IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
18 YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR PRESENTATION?

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MALIBU SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM TO JOIN
22 ME HERE FOR A PRESENTATION. THERE THEY ARE. THEY'RE LED BY
23 CAPTAIN JOSEPH STEPHEN OF THE LOST HILLS SHERIFF'S STATION.
24 SERGEANT TUI WRIGHT, WHO IS A TEAM LEADER, AND MEMBERS OF THE
25 TEAM. THE MALIBU SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM SERVES WITH



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1 DISTINCTION AS AN EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONDER UNIT WITHIN THE
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND IS A MEMBER OF THE
3 CALIFORNIA REGION OF THE PRESTIGIOUS MOUNTAIN RESCUE
4 ASSOCIATION DEPLOYED THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY
5 MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO HELP PROVIDE MUTUAL AID THROUGHOUT THE
6 STATE AND ACROSS THE NATION. THE MALIBU SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM
7 IS AN ALL VOLUNTEER NONPROFIT GROUP COMPRISING LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY RESERVE DEPUTY SHERIFFS, A SELECT FEW HIGH-RISK
9 CIVILIAN VOLUNTEER SPECIALISTS AND CIVILIAN VOLUNTEER INCIDENT
10 SUPPORT TEAM PERSONNEL WHOSE MEMBERS ARE HIGHLY TRAINED FOR
11 THE SPECIALIZED RESCUES AND EMERGENCY DISASTER CONDITIONS SUCH
12 AS FIRES, FLOODS, EARTHQUAKES, MUDSLIDES, SNOW AND ICE. THE
13 MALIBU SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM COVERS A JURISDICTION OF 187
14 SQUARE MILES OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, RANGING FROM THE
15 LOS ANGELES VENTURA COUNTY LINE TO PACIFIC PALISADES, THE EAST
16 FACE OF THE SANTA SUSANNA MOUNTAINS AND THE CONTRACT CITIES OF
17 WESTLAKE VILLAGE, AGOURA HILLS, MALIBU, CALABASAS, AND HIDDEN
18 HILLS. THE MALIBU SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM AVERAGES
19 APPROXIMATELY 100 EMERGENCY CALLOUTS ANNUALLY, RESPONDING AS
20 THE PRIMARY RESCUE SOURCE FOR THOSE WHO ARE LOST, INJURED,
21 INJURED CLIMBERS, HELICOPTER EVACUATIONS, VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
22 INTO CANYONS AND WILDERNESS TACTICAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
23 INCIDENTS. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLY COMMEND THE MALIBU
25 SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM FOR THEIR EXTRAORDINARY DEMONSTRATION



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1 OF HEROISM, COURAGE AND SELFLESSNESS, AND ITS MEMBERS OUR
2 EXTENDED SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR RISKING THEIR OWN PERSONAL
3 SAFETY TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY. SO YOU'LL NOTICE FIRST OF ALL, COUNTY CALLIGRAPHER DID
5 A GREAT JOB HERE, ANOTHER UNIQUE PIECE OF ARTWORK. AND CAPTAIN
6 STEPHEN, IF I CAN ASK YOU TO ACCEPT THIS ON BEHALF OF THE
7 TEAM. AND YOU CAN INTRODUCE YOUR MEMBERS HERE, I'D LIKE TO
8 PRESENT THIS TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

9

10 **JOSEPH STEPHEN:** WELL, THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR THIS GREAT HONOR.
11 AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SAID, THE TEAM GOES ON ABOUT 100
12 RESCUES PER YEAR, SO THAT MEANS ONCE A WEEK, SOMETIMES TWICE A
13 WEEK, THESE MEN AND WOMEN ARE OUT IN THE SANTA MONICA
14 MOUNTAINS SAVING LIVES. THAT'S JUST A TREMENDOUS THING FOR THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ALSO, SUPERVISOR, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU
16 FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE TEAM THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. AND I'D
17 LIKE TO QUICKLY INTRODUCE THE TEAM. THIS IS SERGEANT TUI
18 WRIGHT, WHO SUPERVISES THE TEAM. WE ALSO HAVE MARK CAMPBELL,
19 TIM SOFAREK, RANDY RABLEY, JOSEPH KWAN AND JOHN THOMPSON.
20 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, LET ME JUST ACKNOWLEDGE IN THE
23 AUDIENCE, WE HAVE FIVE BOY SCOUTS FROM THE BEVERLY HILLS BOY
24 SCOUTS TROOP NO. 110 WHO WILL BE OBSERVING OUR BOARD MEETING
25 TODAY. THEY'RE WORKING ON THEIR CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY



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1 MERIT BADGE. THEY'RE LED BY THEIR TROOP SCOUT MASTER, MARTY
2 KRITKE. WELL HE'S NOT ACTUALLY HERE TODAY, BUT HE IS THEIR
3 LEADER. AND THE BOY SCOUTS ARE ACCOMPANIED BY TWO OF THEIR
4 PARENTS. LET ME ASK THEM TO STAND, DANIEL KATZ, WHO IS A
5 SENIOR AT LOS ANGELES CENTER FOR ENRICHED STUDIES AND
6 L.A.C.+U.S.C. MAGNET SCHOOLS, I THINK WE ALL KNOW. KYLE
7 SELTZER, A JUNIOR AT CAMPBELL HALL SCHOOL. JORDAN POLL, A
8 NINTH GRADER AT LACES. ALEXANDER RASK, WHO ATTENDS THE BEVERLY
9 HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND DOUGLAS WU, ALSO WHO ATTENDS THE
10 BEVERLY HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL. AND THEY'RE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR
11 PARENTS, TWO OF THE PARENTS, DEMETRIUS POLL AND MARY LYNN
12 RASK. I THINK THEY'RE OVER THERE. WELCOME TO THE BOARD.
13 [APPLAUSE.] ANYBODY WHO SITS THROUGH A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 MEETING DESERVES A MERIT BADGE, THAT'S ALL I CAN SAY.
15 [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES OUR
18 PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR SPECIALS FIRST.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO FIRST MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
21 MEMORY OF STAN OTTO RUZICKA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 81,
22 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GLENDALE AND WENT TO THE SCHOOLS THERE,
23 BEING RECOGNIZED AS THE STAR ATHLETE AT GLENDALE COMMUNITY
24 COLLEGE AND THEN PLAYED ON A FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIP AT THE
25 UNIVERSITY OF OREGON. MEMBER OF LAMBDA CHI FRATERNITY AND



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1 RECEIVED HIS M.B.A. DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
2 CALIFORNIA. LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE GATEWAY KIWANIS CLUB AND
3 HAD RECEIVED THEIR OUTSTANDING DEVOTED SERVICE AWARD AT
4 KIWANIS CLUB OF GLENDALE. BOTH STAN AND HIS WIFE, JUDY, WERE
5 PERSONAL FRIENDS AND VERY INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. JUDY
6 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, AND NOW STAN PASSED AWAY. ELSIE MARIE
7 SPANIOL, WHO WAS A RESIDENT IN LANCASTER. SHE WAS THE "ROSIE
8 THE RIVETER" FOR NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION BUILDING THE AIRCRAFT
9 DURING WORLD WAR II. SHE WORKED FOR SAV-ON IN LANCASTER FOR
10 ALMOST 60 YEARS. A MEMBER OF THE FIN AND FEATHER CLUB ALONG
11 WITH HER HUSBAND, EARL. MISAK TOVMASYAN, A CLASSMATE OF MY
12 CHILDREN AT THEIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PASSED AWAY THIS PAST
13 WEEKEND. HE WAS A SIXTH GRADER AT SALEM LUTHERAN SCHOOL. HE
14 WAS WELL-LOVED AND RESPECTED BY THE FACULTY AND ALL THE
15 STUDENT BODY. SARAH CATHERINE HOTCHKIN PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
16 82. SHE LEAVES HER HUSBAND, EDGAR, AND THEIR TWO SONS, TERRY
17 AND DAVID AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND SHE WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH
18 MANY OF THE ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. JOSE
19 OBESO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. HE WORKED FOR THE IMPORT-
20 EXPORT BUSINESS, THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE IN CLAREMONT AND
21 GRISWOLD'S INDIAN HILLS RESTAURANT IN CLAREMONT. AND HE IS
22 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT
23 GRANDCHILDREN. JUNIOR PANTER, WHO WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE WORKED FOR 23 YEARS,
25 LAST ASSIGNED TO THE PITCHESS DETENTION CENTER. CARL OTTO



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1 RUMPF, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
2 OF 95. LAVERNE SCHWENSEN, ALSO A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
3 LANCASTER, SURVIVED BY HER TWO CHILDREN. CHARLES WILLIAM
4 BADGLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE RECEIVED FOUR BRONZE
5 STARS AND A GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AS A MEMBER OF THE U.S. ARMY
6 AIR FORCE CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II. AND HE WAS A SPECIAL
7 AGENT FOR THE F.B.I. FOR 26 YEARS. AND IN HIS RETIREMENT,
8 SERVED AS A VOLUNTEER AT THE LAVERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT. AND
9 RONALD JOHN WHITE, LOST THE BATTLE OF CANCER. HE WAS THE OWNER
10 OF MOUNTAIN AUTO SALES IN MONTCLAIR FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS.
11 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CHARLOTTE; CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN,
12 AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS MOM. THOSE ARE MY
13 ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME CALL UP ITEM NO. 2.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 2? ALL RIGHT. DO WE WANT TO LISTEN TO
20 THE SPEAKERS FIRST?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. LET'S HAVE THE SPEAKERS FIRST.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ABOUT 17 PEOPLE. DO WE WANT TO
25 LIMIT IT TO TWO MINUTES?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ONE MINUTE. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL LIMIT IT TO
5 ONE MINUTE. IS THAT SATISFACTORY? ALL RIGHT. LET'S BEGIN. IF
6 WE COULD ASK GAIL SOUND TO JOIN US, MARLENE RADER, WILLIAM
7 SLOCUM, AND DARYL DITTERBRAND. MS. SOUND, IF YOU WOULD BEGIN.

8

9 **GAIL SOUND:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GAIL SOUND. I WOULD
10 LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR CONSIDERING THE MOTION BEFORE YOU
11 AND ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. ANTONOVICH FOR
12 PLACING IT ON THE AGENDA. THIS MOTION GREATLY AFFECTS ME AND
13 MY COMMUNITY AS I LIVE IN AN UNINCORPORATED SECTION IN ARCADIA
14 WHICH IS CURRENTLY HAVING A C.U.P. INVESTIGATED FOR M.M.D.
15 THREE BLOCKS FROM MY HOUSE. I HAVE LIVED IN THIS AREA FOR OVER
16 30 YEARS AND SOMETIMES IT FEELS AS IF WE HAVE LITTLE STAY IN
17 MATTERS CONCERNING US. ALL OF THE CITIES AROUND US HAVE BANS
18 OR MORATORIUMS AGAINST M.M.D.S. WE FEEL THE SAME WAY THAT THEY
19 DO, REPRESENTING DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICAN RESIDENTS. WE DON'T
20 WANT WHAT HAPPENED IN HOLLYWOOD AND ECHO PARKS JUST A FEW
21 WEEKS AGO TO HAPPEN IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THE COUNTY SHERIFF
22 CALLS OUR NEIGHBORHOOD A QUIET SLEEPY COMMUNITY. I WANT ALL OF
23 YOU TO KNOW THAT WE ARE WIDE AWAKE NOW, ORGANIZING AND READY
24 TO DO WHAT IS NECESSARY TO BLOCK M.M.D.S FROM OUR COMMUNITY. I
25 DEEPLY AM CONCERNED FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SEVERE MEDICAL



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1 CONDITIONS THAT THIS DRUG MIGHT HELP, BUT I FEEL IT SHOULD BE
2 HANDLED DIFFERENTLY. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN LISTENING
3 TO OUR CONCERNS.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MARLENE RADER? I'M
6 SORRY.

7

8 **MARLENE RADER:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M MARLENE RADER,
9 PRESIDENT OF THE KAGEL CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION. THANK YOU
10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS THE COMMUNITY'S
11 SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED MARIJUANA DISPENSARY BAN IN THE
12 UNINCORPORATED AREA. WE HAVE THE STRONG RESERVATIONS ABOUT
13 POTENTIAL CRIME, NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON RESIDENTS AND LOCAL
14 BUSINESSES. AT THE JULY 2, 2010 KAGEL CANYON CIVIC
15 ASSOCIATION, OUR BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO SUPPORT THIS
16 PROPOSED BAN BY A VOTE OF EIGHT TO ZERO. I ASK YOU TO SUPPORT
17 THE MOTION OF THE BAN OF THE MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES AS STATED
18 IN ORDINANCE REVISIONS TO TITLE 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE. THANK
19 YOU.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF WE COULD HAVE TULANE
22 PETERSON AS WELL AS JACQUELYN LACEY JOIN US. MR. SLOCUM?

23

24 **WILLIAM SLOCUM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM WILLIAM SLOCUM, VICE
25 PRESIDENT OF THE KAGEL CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION. I SUPPORT THE



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1 BAN OF THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE THE
2 INCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS STATED IN THE
3 ORDINANCE REVISION TO TITLE 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE. THE IMPACT
4 SHOULD NOT BURDEN THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS. I ASK YOU
5 SUPPORT THE MOTION TO BAN THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES.
6 THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. DITTERBRAND?

9

10 **DARYL DITTERBRAND:** I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT A COUPLE OF THINGS
11 SPECIFICALLY. WE COULD ARGUE THIS A THOUSAND DIFFERENT WAYS. A
12 COUPLE OF REASONS WHY I OPPOSE MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN MY
13 NEIGHBORHOOD. ONE, DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE. ACCORDING TO
14 THE PLANNING AND ZONING RULES AND REGULATIONS, ON-SITE
15 CONSUMPTION IS PERMITTED. SMOKING, EATING. AND THESE PLACES
16 ARE TO PROVIDE PIPES, PAPERS, WATER PIPES. THEY FINISH
17 CONSUMING. THEY GET IN THEIR CAR, THEY DRIVE THROUGH MY
18 NEIGHBORHOOD. ANOTHER THING THAT CONCERNS ME IS BULLET-PROOF
19 GLASS. THEY ARE INSTALLING BULLET-PROOF GLASS IN THESE PLACES.
20 OKAY? SO THEY ARE PROTECTED. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE BULLET THAT
21 FLIES ACROSS THE STREET FROM MY HOUSE? I DON'T NEED TO MENTION
22 ECHO PARK IN HOLLYWOOD A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. THESE THINGS ARE
23 HAPPENING. WHAT IF I GO TO SELL MY HOME? OH BY THE WAY,
24 THERE'S A MARIJUANA DISPENSARY ACROSS THE STREET. AM I GOING
25 TO BE ABLE TO SELL MY HOME? THAT'S ALL I GOT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. COULD WE ALSO HAVE DON
3 DUNCAN AS WELL AS CHERYL AICHELE JOIN US? MR. PETERSON?

4

5 **TULANE PETERSON:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. MY NAME IS TULANE PETERSON,
6 I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY FOR ABOUT 34 YEARS AND I'D
7 LIKE TO OFFER 15 GOOD REASONS TO SUPPORT THE BAN. THEY ARE:
8 ARCADIA, MONROVIA, DUARTE, IRWINDALE, EL MONTE, PASADENA,
9 ALHAMBRA, SIERRA MADRE, GLENDORA, COVINA, WEST COVINA, BALDWIN
10 PARK, TEMPLE CITY, ROSEMEAD, AND SAN MARINO. IT IS ILLEGAL TO
11 HAVE A MARIJUANA DISPENSARY IN ANY OF THESE CITIES. ALL OF
12 THESE CITIES HAVE WEIGHED AND MEASURED M.M.D.S AND FOUND THEM
13 WANTING FOR VERY GOOD REASONS. THIS IS A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE.
14 IT IS NOT A DEBATE OVER THE MEDICAL PROPERTIES OF A DRUG.
15 PROPONENTS OF BOTH SIDES SHOULD RECOGNIZE THE PUBLIC SAFETY
16 ISSUE AND SUPPORT THIS BAN. NEITHER CALIFORNIA LAW UNDER
17 PROPOSITION 215 OR A.B.420 AUTHORIZE M.M.D.S. FEDERAL-
18 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACTED 21 U.S.C. 841 ALSO MAKES IT ILLEGAL
19 TO HAVE MANUFACTURE OF MARIJUANA. AND, THEREFORE, BECAUSE ALL
20 THE STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS ARE VIOLATED BY THESE M.M.D.S, I
21 WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND THAT THE SUPERVISORS ALSO CONSIDER
22 BANNING THE MOBILE DISPENSARIES.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU, SIR. MISS LACEY?

25



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1 **JACQUELYN LACEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MADAM CHAIRPERSON AND
2 SUPERVISORS, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS JACQUIE LACEY AND I'M
3 HERE ON BEHALF OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY. THE D.A.
4 SUPPORTS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION TO BAN MEDICAL
5 MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A. AS
6 THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, I OVERSEE PROSECUTIONS IN THE
7 PLACES MOST AFFECTED BY THE EXISTING AND FUTURE MEDICAL
8 MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES. THESE PLACES ESSENTIALLY, YOU ENTER
9 THEM THROUGH A GLASS CAGE. YOU COME IN, YOU PURCHASE YOUR
10 MARIJUANA. YOU SHOW A CARD, YOU GIVE MONEY. THESE PLACES ARE
11 TURNING OVER TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF CASH. AND AS SUCH, THEY HAVE
12 ATTRACTED THE ATTENTION OF ARMED ROBBERS. WHERE THERE ARE
13 ARMED ROBBERS, THERE WILL BE LOSS OF LIFE. THE DISTRICT
14 ATTORNEY FEELS THAT THE CASE OF PEOPLE VERSUS MENTCH STANDS
15 FOR THE PROPOSITION THAT OVER THE COUNTER SALES OF MEDICAL
16 MARIJUANA ARE ILLEGAL. MANY COUNTIES AND CITIES HAVE CHOSEN TO
17 REGULATE THEM, UNSUCCESSFULLY. WE BELIEVE THAT WITH THE CITIES
18 CLOSING DOWN SOME 800-PLUS DISPENSARIES, THEY WILL LOOK FOR
19 FRIENDLY TERRITORY. WE BELIEVE THAT A POSITION TO BAN THEM IS
20 NOT A JUDGMENT ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA USE BUT, RATHER, AN EFFORT
21 TO SAVE THE PUBLIC FROM THE CRIME THAT ACCOMPANIES THE
22 DISPENSARIES. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY BELIEVES THAT A
23 SUCCESSFULLY, OR A WELL-DRAFTED ORDINANCE WILL SURVIVE ANY
24 LEGAL CHALLENGE. AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU AND SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR
25 LEADERSHIP IN THIS AREA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. JOSHUA KRANE FOLLOWED
3 BY DANIEL SOSA, IF THEY'D JOIN US. MR. DUNCAN?

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5 **DON DUNCAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS DON DUNCAN, I'M THE
6 CALIFORNIA DIRECTOR FOR AMERICANS FOR SAFE ACCESS, THE
7 NATION'S LARGEST MEDICAL CANNABIS ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION. I
8 HOPE EACH OF YOU HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE EMAIL I
9 SENT ALREADY THAT SPEAKS TO THIS ISSUE IN GREATER DETAIL. IT'S
10 BEEN OUR EXPERIENCE, BOTH IN RESEARCH AND IN OUR EXPERIENCE
11 CITIES AND COUNTIES AROUND THE STATE, THAT WELL-REGULATED
12 MEDICAL CANNABIS COLLECTIVES AND COOPERATIVES DO NOT ATTRACT
13 CRIME. IN FACT, IN CITIES THAT HAVE BEEN MORE SUCCESSFUL
14 THAN LOS ANGELES IN REGULATING MEDICAL CANNABIS, WE'VE
15 ACTUALLY SEEN THAT MEDICAL CANNABIS FACILITIES REDUCE REDUCES
16 CRIME AND COMPLAINTS FROM HOMES AND BUSINESSES IN THE
17 NEIGHBORHOOD. I HOPE THAT WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT THIS OPTION,
18 YOU'LL LOOK AT THOSE CITIES THAT HAVE SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED
19 MEDICAL CANNABIS PROGRAMS, CITIES LIKE SEBASTOPOL, OAKLAND,
20 SAN FRANCISCO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, AND NOW PALM SPRINGS. BECAUSE
21 WE CAN PROVIDE FOR SAFE ACCESS AND PROTECT THE COMMUNITIES.
22 THERE IS NOT A CORRELATION BETWEEN MEDICAL CANNABIS AND CRIME.
23 WHAT I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO IS TO DELAY A DECISION ON
24 TODAY'S MOTION UNTIL WE CAN TALK MORE ABOUT THIS. AND I ALSO
25 HOPE THAT YOU'LL WORK WITH US TO ADDRESS ISSUES AND CONCERNS



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1 ABOUT PROLIFERATION OF COLLECTIVES. BECAUSE THROUGH PROPER
2 IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF YOUR EXISTING ORDINANCE AND
3 IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE CAN MAKE ON THIS ORDINANCE, YOU CAN
4 PREVENT THE KIND OF PROBLEMS YOU'VE SEEN IN THE CITY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. SO I HOPE YOU'LL ALL WORK WITH US ON THAT AND TAKE
6 SOME TIME BEFORE YOU MAKE THIS DECISION. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS AICHELE.

9

10 **CHERYL AICHELE:** I'M CHERYL AICHELE, I'M A RESIDENT OF LOS
11 ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AND I'M ALSO A MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENT.
12 EVEN THOUGH I DON'T LOOK ILL OR INJURED, I SUFFER FROM CHRONIC
13 PAIN. I RELY ON MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES TO GET MY
14 MEDICINE. AND IF YOU BAN THEM IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
15 THE COUNTY, YOU'RE LEAVING OUT A LOT OF PATIENTS WHO NEED SAFE
16 ACCESS. I HEARD A FEW THINGS BEING SAID BY THE OPPONENTS UP
17 HERE. ONE, WHO HAS READ PROPOSITION 215? IN PROPOSITION 215,
18 IT CLEARLY SAYS THAT IT'S THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE AND
19 LOCAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO PROVIDE SAFE AND
20 AFFORDABLE DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS. BY BANNING THAT,
21 YOU'RE NOT PROVIDING SAFE OR AFFORDABLE DISTRIBUTION OF
22 MEDICAL CANNABIS TO THE CITIZENS WHO LIVE IN THE
23 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. I ALSO HEARD THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SAY
24 SOMETHING ABOUT MENTCH. IF YOU'VE READ MENTCH, IT HAS NOTHING
25 TO DO WITH SALES OR OVER THE COUNTER SALES. IT WAS A MAN



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1 GROWING CANNABIS IN HIS HOME, PROVIDING TO IT FIVE PEOPLE, NOT
2 A PERSON PROVIDING IT IN A DISPENSARY OR A COLLECTIVE AS IT'S
3 PROPERLY CALLED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. PLEASE OPPOSE IT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. KRANE?

6

7 **JOSHUA KRANE:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA KRANE. I'M A RESIDENT OF LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY AND A BUSINESS OWNER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M
9 ALSO AN A MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENT. I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO
10 OPPOSE THIS BAN. I FEEL THAT IT'S THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY
11 TO PROVIDE ME WITH SAFE ACCESS AS A PATIENT. AND THIS REALLY
12 SEEMS TO BE MORE A MATTER OF "NOT IN MY BACKYARD" AS OPPOSED
13 TO LET'S GIVE A REAL ORDINANCE THAT YOU CAN ENFORCE AND ENSURE
14 THAT THE SECURITY CONCERNS OF A COMMUNITY ARE MET WHILE MAKING
15 SURE THAT MY SECURITY CONCERNS AS A PATIENT ARE ALSO MET. THE
16 MORE THAT WE PUSH THIS OFF INTO THE OUTSKIRTS, THE HARDER IT
17 BECOMES FOR ME TO BE GRANTED SAFE ACCESS, WHICH THEN WILL
18 ENCOURAGE THAT CRIME. THE MORE THAT YOU ENFORCE AN ORDINANCE
19 THAT YOU HAVE IN PLACE AND IMPROVE THAT TO SECURE THE SECURITY
20 OF THE COMMUNITY AND ME AS A MEMBER OF THAT COMMUNITY, I'D
21 ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO SO. THESE THINGS ARE HERE. THEY ARE
22 AVAILABLE. AND THE FURTHER I HAVE TO DRIVE AND THE MORE THAT
23 WE PUSH THEM INTO THE OUTSKIRTS OF OUR SOCIETY, THE MORE CRIME
24 THEY WILL GET. THE MORE YOU ENFORCE THEM UNDER THE ORDINANCE
25 AND ACTUALLY MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE OPERATING SAFELY, THE



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1 SAFER IT WILL BE FOR THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS FOR ME AS A
2 PATIENT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. RICHARD EASTMAN. NICK
5 GAULIN AND ELIZABETH BLY, IF THEY WOULD COME UP. MR. SOSA?

6

7 **DANIEL SOSA:** MY NAME IS DANIEL SOSA. I'M A RESIDENT OF LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY. I'M A MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENT AND I'M ALSO
9 THE OPERATOR OF A COLLECTIVE IN LOS ANGELES. I THINK THAT YOU
10 GUYS REALLY SHOULD EITHER NOT SUPPORT THIS BAN OR DELAY IT AND
11 VOTE ON IT LATER. THINK ABOUT IT A LITTLE BIT. SAFE ACCESS IS
12 REALLY IMPORTANT. I BELIEVE IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP
13 ENCOURAGE SAFE ACCESS. AND WE NEED MEDICAL MARIJUANA
14 COLLECTIVES AND DISPENSARIES TO HELP PROVIDE THE SAFE ACCESS.
15 A COUPLE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER ARE THAT THE
16 VAST, VAST MAJORITY OF CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS SUPPORT MEDICAL
17 MARIJUANA. AND WHEN YOU REALLY LOOK AT THE STATISTICS, THERE
18 IS NO RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN VIOLENCE AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA
19 DISPENSARIES. SO PLEASE EITHER DON'T SUPPORT THE BAN OR VOTE
20 ON IT LATER. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. EASTMAN.

23

24 **RICHARD EASTMAN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISOR, REST OF THE
25 SUPERVISORS, FORMER H.I.V. AIDS COMMISSIONER APPOINTED BY YOU



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1 FOR FOUR YEARS REPRESENTING 60,000 PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V.
2 AND AIDS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AND A LOT OF THEM USE MEDICAL
3 MARIJUANA. SIXTEEN YEARS AGO, I ALMOST DIED OF AIDS. I CAME
4 HERE FOR MANY YEARS WITH FORMER STATE ASSEMBLYMAN PAUL KORETZ,
5 NOW A CITY COUNCILMAN, COAUTHOR OF S.B.420, TO LET YOU KNOW
6 THAT MEDICAL MARIJUANA SAVED MY LIFE. WE HAD AN ORDINANCE
7 PASSED. MR. ANTONOVICH AND MR. COOLEY, THE "REEFER MADNESS"
8 GUYS OF THE MILLENNIA. MR. COOLEY IS TRYING TO GET ELECTED
9 ATTORNEY GENERAL, WE NEED CAMILLA HARRIS, WHO IS A LIBERTARIAN
10 WHO BELIEVES IN MEDICAL MARIJUANA. AND WE NEED TO STOP THIS
11 REEFER MADNESS, MR. ANTONOVICH, BECAUSE WE ARE VOTERS AND
12 WE'RE GOING TO VOTE YOU OUT. MEDICAL MARIJUANA SAVED MY LIFE.
13 IT SAVES PEOPLE WITH AIDS AND CANCER. AND I'M ABSOLUTELY TIRED
14 OF COMING HERE 15, 16 YEARS TO HEAR A REPEAT OF WHAT YOU DID
15 IN 1996. WE'RE GOING TO DEFEAT YOU WITH THE FOUR OTHER
16 SUPERVISORS LIKE WE DID BEFORE. AND I'M GOING TO LIVE ANOTHER
17 16 YEARS. AND I MIGHT RUN FOR CITY COUNCIL. AND THEN
18 EVENTUALLY I MIGHT RUN FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MR.
19 ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE GOING TO BE VOTED OUT. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. GAULIN. [APPLAUSE.]

22
23 **NICK GAULIN:** HI, MY NAME IS NICK GAULIN, A CANNABIS PATIENT
24 HERE IN LOS ANGELES.



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY. YOU'RE INTERRUPTING THE
2 SPEAKER. PLEASE START AGAIN SIR.

3

4 **NICK GAULIN:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS GAULIN, I'M A CANNABIS
5 PATIENT HERE IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. I'M ALSO A PREVIOUS
6 MANAGER OF A MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY IN THE VALLEY. I DO
7 NOT SUPPORT BANNING DISPENSARIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
8 LOS ANGELES FOR THE SIMPLE FACT THAT THEIR ONLY ARGUMENT SO
9 FAR HAS BEEN THAT IT CREATES CRIME. NOW, OUR DISPENSARY HAD NO
10 CRIME, NO PROBLEMS. WE DID NOT HAVE PATIENTS ENTER THROUGH A
11 STEEL CAGE. WE ALSO HAD A VERIFICATION SYSTEM PREVIOUS TO
12 GETTING YOUR MEDICAL MARIJUANA. WE DID NOT ALLOW CONSUMPTION
13 ON SITE. AND WE DID NOT ALLOW MEDICATED PATIENTS INTO THE
14 COLLECTIVE. THIS IS RIDICULOUS THAT YOU'RE CLAIMING THAT THESE
15 PATIENTS ARE NOTHING MORE THAN DRUG DEALING, WHICH, IT DOES
16 HAPPEN IN CERTAIN DISPENSARIES, AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO REVISE
17 AND USE YOUR ORDINANCE THAT YOU CURRENTLY HAVE TO HELP WEED
18 THESE BAD DISPENSARIES OUT. SO PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT LONGER
19 AND PLEASE OPPOSE IT. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MICHAEL BACKES, RICHARD KEARNS,
22 AND BARRY KRAMER. MISS BLY?

23

24 **ELIZABETH:** ELIZABETH BLY. AND I RESIDE IN DISTRICT ONE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** COULD YOU PUT THE MICROPHONE JUST A LITTLE
2 CLOSER?

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4 **ELIZABETH BLY:** A LITTLE CLOSER? OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CLOSER TO YOU.

7

8 **ELIZABETH BLY:** I'M ELIZABETH BLY, AND I RESIDE IN DISTRICT
9 ONE. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON THE BEHALF OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT
10 CANNOT BE HERE TODAY: OUR ELDERLY, OUR HOSPICE PATIENTS, OUR
11 CANCER PATIENTS AND THE EXTREMELY ILL INDIVIDUALS THAT BENEFIT
12 FROM THE PALLIATIVE EFFECTS OF BETTER MEDICAL CANNABIS. THESE
13 PEOPLE NEED SAFE ACCESS TO MEDICAL CANNABIS, AND THEY NEED IT
14 GUARANTEED REGARDLESS OF WHERE THEY LIVE IN THIS COUNTY. THE
15 COUNTY ALREADY HAS AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE. THIS ORDINANCE THAT
16 HAS NOT LED TO AN ABUNDANCE OF MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES.
17 IT IS A GOOD ORDINANCE, PROVIDES NECESSARY OVERSIGHT AND HAS
18 WORKED. WHAT THE LAW DOES NOT PROVIDE IS AN EXCEPTION FOR
19 ACCREDITED AND LICENSED MEDICAL AND ELDER CARE FACILITIES LIKE
20 THE EXCEPTION FOUND IN THE NEW L.A. ORDINANCE. NO EXCEPTION
21 FOR MEDICAL FACILITIES IS A GLARING OMISSION. AND I ENCOURAGE
22 THE BOARD TO CORRECT IT A.S.A.P. THE THINGS THAT THE BOARD
23 SHOULD ENCOURAGE ARE: RESEARCH AND SUPERVISION OF MEDICAL
24 CANNABIS WITHIN A HEALTHCARE FACILITY. PLEASE AMEND YOUR
25 ORDINANCE TO EXPAND AND ENCOURAGE THE HEALTHCARE ASPECTS OF



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1 MEDICAL CANNABIS. A BAN ON MEDICAL CANNABIS ONLY HELPS STREET
2 DEALERS AND DRUG CARTELS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MISS BLY, YOUR TIME IS UP.

5

6 **ELIZABETH BLY:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. BACKES?

9

10 **MICHAEL BACKES:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISORS. I'M MICHAEL
11 BACKES. I LIVE AND WORK IN DISTRICT 1. MY WORK FOCUSES ON THE
12 SCIENCE OF MEDICAL CANNABIS. THE COUNTY'S HAD ITS MEDICAL
13 MARIJUANA ORDINANCE FOR YEARS WITH NO EXPLOSION OF MARIJUANA
14 DISPENSARIES AT ALL. HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BELIEVE THAT THE
15 COUNTY TO DO MORE TO ENCOURAGE A PROPER MEDICAL CONTEXT FOR
16 MEDICAL MARIJUANA. PROVISION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA, GUIDED BY
17 SCIENTIFIC OVERSIGHT, WILL CAUSE NO CRIME WHATSOEVER. NONE.
18 THE COUNTY DOESN'T NEED A BAN ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA
19 DISPENSARIES, IT NEEDS INTELLIGENT REGULATION WITH OVERSIGHT
20 BY PROFESSIONALS FROM MEDICINE, SCIENCE AND REGULATORY
21 AGENCIES. A BAN ONLY DEMONSTRATES THAT YOU ARE NOT PROPERLY
22 REGULATING THIS ISSUE. A BAN ONLY SHOWS THAT YOU ARE
23 NEGLECTING YOUR JOBS. THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT MEDICAL CANNABIS
24 IS A HEALTHCARE ISSUE. AND THE SOONER THAT THE COUNTY ACCEPTS



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1 THAT, THE SOONER MEDICAL CANNABIS CAN BE APPROPRIATELY
2 INTEGRATED INTO OUR COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.] MR. KEARNS?

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6 **RICHARD KEARNS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRPERSON MOLINA,
7 DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RICHARD
8 KEARNS, I'M A MAN WITH AIDS. I'VE BEEN LIVING WITH AIDS FOR
9 MORE THAN 20 YEARS. I'M 59 YEARS OLD NOW. MEDICAL CANNABIS IS
10 PART OF MY TREATMENT REGIMEN. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE THE MOTION.
11 WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS REPREHENSIBLE. IT REWARDS AND PROTECTS
12 THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS CRIME THAT YOU TALK ABOUT, THE PEOPLE
13 BEING SHOT. AND I HAVE TO NOTE ALSO THAT FROM LOS ANGELES, MR.
14 TRUTANICH ATTENDED THE MEMORIAL MEETING, THE VIGIL AFTERWARDS.
15 WHERE WERE YOU GUYS? WHERE ARE THE PATIENTS IN ALL OF THIS? WE
16 NEED THIS STUFF. YOU WANT TO MAKE IT HARDER FOR US TO GET?
17 HARDER TO GET TO STUFF? THAT'S NOT ACCEPTABLE. PLEASE EITHER
18 THINK ABOUT THIS LONGER OR DROP IT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. KRAMER?

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22 **BARRY KRAMER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. MY NAME
23 IS BARRY KRAMER. I AM A RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
24 AND I'M A MEDICAL MARIJUANA PATIENT. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON
25 BEHALF OF PATIENTS THAT ARE NOT HERE TODAY, THAT CANNOT BE



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1 HERE TODAY. I'D LIKE TO REINFORCE MANY OF THE ADVOCATES THAT
2 HAVE COME UP HERE AND SAY YOU HAVE A VERY GOOD WORKING
3 ORDINANCE. YOU JUST NEED TO ENFORCE THAT ORDINANCE TO KEEP OUT
4 MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES THAT SHOULD NOT BE OPENED. IT'S
5 A MISTAKE THAT LOS ANGELES, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES MADE. THEY
6 NEVER ENFORCED THE MORATORIUM THAT THEY PUT IN PLACE. AND BY
7 NOT ENFORCING IT, THEY ALLOWED FOR THAT PROLIFERATION. SO YOU
8 HAVE SOMETHING ON THE BOOKS. IT'S GOOD. IT CAN BE REWORKED.
9 YOU SHOULD GO BACK AND RE-VISIT IT. BUT PLEASE DON'T BAN THIS
10 MEDICINE FROM PATIENTS THAT NEED IT. TRY TO HAVE AS MUCH
11 COMPASSION FOR THE PATIENTS AS YOU HAD FOR THE DOG THAT YOU
12 BROUGHT OUT HERE EARLIER. IT WOULD BE REALLY NICE TO KNOW THAT
13 YOU HAVE THAT. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, CAN I ASK YOU, STOP. MR. SACHS, YOU
16 ARE OUR LAST SPEAKER.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. HOW REFRESHING IT IS
19 FOR THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO STAND AT THE PODIUM AND
20 FOLLOW LAWFUL PROCEDURES. AND HOW MUCH MORE REFRESHING IT
21 WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR, THE REPRESENTATIVE
22 FROM THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE TO COME OUT AND SAY "WE
23 HAVE A WELL-DRAFTED ORDINANCE THAT WOULD PERMIT MEDICAL
24 MARIJUANA INSTEAD OF BANNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA." BASED ON THE
25 EXPERIMENT AND THE SITUATION THAT HAPPENED WITH L.A., HOW MUCH



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1 MORE REFRESHING THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN. AND ALSO JUST TO LET YOU
2 KNOW, THEY HAVE BULLETPROOF GLASS AT CHECK CASHING AND BANKS.
3 DON'T HAVE A BANK OR CHECK CASHING PLACE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD,
4 EITHER, BULLETS WILL FLY THERE FOR SURE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT COMPLETES OUR SPEAKERS.
7 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS, THIS PROPOSAL, LET ME
10 JUST SAY THAT WE ARE THE COUNTY MAYOR FOR ABOUT ONE AND A HALF
11 MILLION RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN THE 134 UNINCORPORATED
12 COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THESE ARE
13 COMMUNITIES THAT ARE NOW BEING THREATENED BY THE BANS AND
14 MORATORIUMS ON THESE DISPENSARIES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPOSED BY
15 THEIR ELECTED CITY COUNCILS. AND TO IMPOSE THIS BURDEN ON
16 THOSE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES IS WRONG. WE'VE SEEN IN
17 RECENT DAYS WHAT HAS OCCURRED IN ONE OF THE TWO KILLINGS THAT
18 HAD TAKEN PLACE AS A RESULT OF THESE DISPENSARIES. WE'VE SEEN
19 THE TYPE OF VIOLENCE AND CRIME THAT HAS OCCURRED. AND TO TURN
20 OUR BACK ON THESE RESIDENTS WOULD BE IRRESPONSIBLE FROM THIS
21 BOARD, WHO HAS BEEN ELECTED TO PROTECT THEIR SAFETY AND PUBLIC
22 SAFETY AND THEIR COMMUNITIES. AND THIS IS A PROPOSAL THAT HAS
23 THE SUPPORT OF MANY OF THE CITIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
24 ANGELES. OUR TOWN COUNCILS, OUR CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS, OUR
25 CHAMBERS WHO HAVE SPOKEN OUT ON THIS. AND THEY LOOK UPON THIS



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1 BOARD, THIS GOVERNING BOARD, TO PROTECT THEIR LIFE, THEIR
2 LIBERTY AND THEIR PROPERTY. I THINK THE ELOQUENT STATEMENTS BY
3 THOSE WHO WERE SUPPORTING THIS MOTION TODAY SHOWED THE
4 WIDESPREAD OPINION OF SUPPORT FOR THIS FROM OUR COMMUNITIES
5 AND FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. AND THIS IS A PROPOSAL THAT IS TO
6 HELP THE COMMUNITIES AND PROTECT OUR CITIZENS IN THE COUNTY OF
7 LOS ANGELES.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE ON THIS ITEM? SUPERVISOR
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. AND I HAVE
13 CONSULTED WITH THE MAKER OF THE MOTION AS WELL AS COUNTY
14 COUNSEL. THERE WAS CONCERN ABOUT MORATORIUM. AND WE HAVE
15 SOUGHT TO VET THAT. BUT WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I'D LIKE TO
16 AMEND THE MOTION BEFORE US, WHICH WOULD ESSENTIALLY DIRECT THE
17 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO WORK WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY
19 COUNSEL TO PREPARE A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO TITLE 22 OF THE
20 COUNTY CODE THAT WOULD PROVIDE FOR A COMPLETE BAN ON ALL
21 MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
22 THE COUNTY, AND THAT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CONDUCT
23 A PUBLIC HEARING AND FORWARD HIS RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE
24 PROPOSED ORDINANCE REVISIONS TO THE BOARD FOR ITS
25 CONSIDERATION. IT GOES FURTHER TO MAKE THE POINT THAT THE BAN



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1 ORDINANCE SHOULD PROVIDE THAT IN THE EVENT THAT THE CALIFORNIA
2 SUPREME COURT OR COURT OF APPEALS ISSUES A FINAL RULING
3 PROVIDING THAT AN OUTRIGHT BAN IS UNLAWFUL, THE EXISTING
4 M.M.D. REGULATIONS IN TITLE 22 SHOULD CONTINUE IN EFFECT. ALSO
5 IN THE EVENT THAT THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT OR THE COURT OF
6 APPEALS DETERMINES THAT AN OVERALL BAN IS NOT LAWFUL PRIOR TO
7 THE PROPOSED BAN ORDINANCE BEING CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING
8 COMMISSION, THEN COUNTY COUNSEL IS TO IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SO THAT WE CAN CONSIDER AN ALTERNATIVE
10 COURSE OF ACTION, SUCH AS DIRECTING THAT FURTHER RESTRICTIONS
11 AND LIMITATIONS ON M.M.D.S BE CONSIDERED RATHER THAN AN
12 OUTRIGHT BAN. ADDITIONALLY, IN THE EVENT THAT PROPOSITION 19
13 IS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS IN NOVEMBER, THEN THE CHIEF
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
15 PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL SHOULD IMMEDIATELY PROVIDE THE
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH A REPORT RECOMMENDING FURTHER
17 ORDINANCE REVISIONS THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO
18 CONSIDER. THAT WOULD BE MY AMENDMENT. AND IT IS MY
19 UNDERSTANDING THAT THE MAKER OF THE MOTION --

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT IS FINE. I ACCEPT THAT AMENDMENT.

22
23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR KNABE?
24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST ONE THING. AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND AS I
2 UNDERSTAND THIS, THIS IS BASICALLY A REPORT BACK BECAUSE
3 THEY'RE GOING TO BE MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO US. IT'S NOT A
4 DEFINITIVE SITUATION RIGHT NOW. WHILE THEY ARE DOING THAT,
5 WHILE THE PLANNING COMMISSION IS HOLDING THE PUBLIC HEARING,
6 THEN OUR CURRENT ORDINANCE IS IN PLACE; IS THAT CORRECT?

7

8 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** SO EVERYTHING AS IT SITS RIGHT NOW, WHAT WE
11 ADOPTED BACK IN IN 2006, IS IN PLACE WHILE THIS PROCESS MOVES
12 FORWARD, IS THAT CORRECT?

13

14 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** THAT'S ACCURATE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN ALSO, AREN'T WE EXPECTING, I THINK IT'S
17 IN A COUPLE WEEKS, THE ANAHEIM DECISION?

18

19 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** YOU'RE CORRECT AGAIN.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** WHICH COULD IMPACT WHAT WE DO OR DO NOT DO HERE.
22 SO OBVIOUSLY TIMING MIGHT BE PERFECT ON THAT.

23



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1 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** YES. WE EXPECT TO HEAR FROM THE COURT
2 OF APPEAL SOON. AND THEN OF COURSE WHOEVER WINS IN THAT CASE
3 WILL UNDOUBTEDLY PETITION TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING HERE? MR.
10 BRUCKNER? HOW MANY APPLICATIONS HAVE WE APPROVED UNDER THE
11 CURRENT REGULATIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE YOU AWARE?

12

13 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** SORIN ALEXANIAN, WHO HAS BEEN HERE MUCH
14 LONGER THAN I HAVE AND BEEN DEALING WITH THIS WILL ANSWER
15 THOSE QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SORIN ALEXANIAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. WE'VE HAD FIVE
18 APPLICATIONS FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS IN THE UNINCORPORATED
19 COUNTY AREAS. THE FIRST WAS HEARD ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO. AND
20 IT WAS DENIED BASED ON INCOMPATIBILITY, THAT WAS IN THE SECOND
21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. A SECOND APPLICATION WAS WITHDRAWN.
22 AND CURRENTLY WE HAVE THREE PENDING APPLICATIONS, TWO ARE IN
23 THE FIFTH DISTRICT AND ONE IS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.

24

25 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** NONE HAVE BEEN APPROVED.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THERE HAVE BEEN FIVE APPLICATIONS. TWO OF
3 THEM -- ONE OF THEM WAS DENIED, ONE OF THEM WAS WITHDRAWN, AND
4 THREE OF THEM ARE PENDING.

5

6 **SORIN ALEXANIAN:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND ARE THE ONES THAT ARE PENDING, MAYBE
9 THIS IS AN UNFAIR QUESTION, IF IT IS, JUST SAY SO. IS IT STILL
10 AN OPEN QUESTION WHETHER THERE ARE GROUNDS TO EITHER APPROVE
11 OR DENY THEM?

12

13 **SORIN ALEXANIAN:** THAT IS CORRECT. ON ONE OF THEM, WE'RE
14 WAITING FOR COMMENTS FROM THE OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES. AND AT
15 THAT POINT WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE PROCESS. WE DON'T EXPECT A
16 HEARING ON THE THIRD APPLICATION UNTIL LATE AUGUST/EARLY
17 SEPTEMBER.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHETHER
20 THIS IS A MOTION IN SEARCH OF A PROBLEM. AND I DON'T THINK --
21 I KNOW THERE HAVE BEEN PROBLEMS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
22 THEY HANDLED IT IN A TOTALLY DIFFERENT WAY THAN THE COUNTY
23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HANDLED THIS. AND THEY HAD AN EPIDEMIC OF
24 LEGAL AND ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES, MANY OF THEM IN MY
25 NEIGHBORHOOD. AND IT WAS AN OUTRAGE. AND THE CITY HAS ITS



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1 HANDS FULL TRYING TO FIX THAT PROBLEM. WE IMPLEMENTED OUR
2 ORDINANCE IN A TOTALLY DIFFERENT WAY. AND I THINK THE PROOF OF
3 THE PUDDING IS THAT, NUMBER ONE, WE HAVEN'T HAD A RASH OF
4 APPLICANTS. AND NONE OF THE APPLICATIONS HAVE YET TO BE
5 APPROVED. AND WHAT I WAS ADVISED WHEN WE FIRST APPROVED THESE
6 REGULATIONS BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL, MY STAFF WAS ADVISED BY THE
7 COUNTY COUNSEL, THAT IF WE ARE EVER -- IF WE WERE TO EVER BE
8 SUED FOR HAVING A TOTAL BAN ON THESE DISPENSARIES, OR IF WE
9 WERE EVER SUED ON OUR REGULATIONS, THAT WE WOULD BE BETTER OFF
10 HAVING SOME CONDITIONAL USE PROCESS SO THAT WE WOULDN'T BE
11 ACCUSED OF WANTING TO BAN EVERY SINGLE ONE, EVEN A LEGITIMATE
12 ONE, THAT WE WOULD FIND A BETTER DEFENSE TO WHATEVER
13 REGULATIONS WE HAD HAVING SUCH AN ORDINANCE THAT WE HAVE
14 RATHER THAN AN OUTRIGHT BAN, WHICH APPARENTLY IS ABOUT TO BE
15 RULED ON BY THE APPELLATE COURT. WHAT DID THE TRIAL COURT RULE
16 IN THAT CASE, DO YOU KNOW?

17

18 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** NO, I DON'T RECALL. BUT I KNOW THAT THE
19 FINAL DECISION IS NOW SUPPOSEDLY EXPECTED JULY 17.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHO THE APPELLANT IS?

22

23 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** IT'S IN SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, BUT DO YOU KNOW WHO THE APPELLANT IS?
2 DID THE THE LOWER COURT SUSTAIN THE BAN? NOBODY KNOWS. OKAY.
3 DOES ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE KNOW?

4

5 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** I KNOW. IT WAS SUSTAINED.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE BAN WAS SUSTAINED BY THE LOWER COURT,
8 IT'S BEING APPEALED AND THAT NOW IT'LL BE AN ISSUE. SO THAT
9 KIND OF ADVICE WAS THAT WE WERE BETTER OFF HAVING THIS KIND OF
10 AN ORDINANCE THAT WE HAVE RATHER THAN AN OUTRIGHT BAN. AND IT
11 SOUNDS TO ME LIKE WITH THE REGULATIONS THAT WE HAVE, EVEN THE
12 TWO THAT ARE PENDING IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT AND THE ONE THAT'S
13 PENDING, I FORGOT WHICH DISTRICT YOU SAID IT WAS, THE FIRST
14 DISTRICT. THAT THERE MAY BE GROUNDS IN THOSE CASES IF THE
15 PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DETERMINE
16 THAT THEY WANTED TO DO THIS, IS NOT TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL
17 USE PERMITS ON THOSE, EITHER, DEPENDING UPON THE FACTS THAT
18 ARE PRESENTED TO US AT THAT TIME. SO, YOU KNOW, I UNDERSTAND
19 THE FRUSTRATION THAT PEOPLE HAVE. NOBODY UNDERSTANDS IT BETTER
20 THAN I DO BECAUSE I THINK OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, MY
21 HOME AND MY PROPERTY VALUES HAVE PROBABLY BEEN MORE IMPACTED
22 BY, I DON'T KNOW IF MY PROPERTY VALUES HAVE, BUT MY HOME
23 CERTAINLY HAS, MY NEIGHBORHOOD HAS, MORE BY THESE DISPENSARIES
24 THAN ANYBODY. BUT THE OTHER THING THAT I RECOGNIZE AND I THINK
25 THE BOARD RECOGNIZED IS THAT THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE, FOR



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1 MEDICINAL PURPOSES, LEGITIMATE MEDICINAL PURPOSES, WHO HAVE
2 BEEN HELPED. AND YOU HEARD SOME TESTIMONY FROM PEOPLE TODAY. I
3 HAVE PERSONAL FRIENDS WHO WERE TERMINALLY ILL WITH CANCER FOR
4 WHOM THE QUALITY OF LIFE WAS MADE SOMEWHAT MORE PALATABLE
5 BECAUSE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF THIS SUBSTANCE UNDER A
6 CONTROLLED SITUATION. AND I'D CERTAINLY HOPE THAT WE NOT MAKE
7 IT HARDER FOR PEOPLE SUCH AS THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO DO FACE
8 LONG-TERM OR TERMINAL ILLNESSES FROM BEING ABLE TO GET THE
9 KIND OF ASSISTANCE THAT THEY NEED TO ADDRESS THEIR QUALITY OF
10 LIFE ISSUES IN THEIR CLOSING DAYS. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THE
11 DIRECTOR OF PLANNING IS IN THE POSITION TO OPINE ON THAT. BUT,
12 YOU KNOW, ANYWAY, THE OTHER THING, UNDER THIS MOTION, CAN I
13 ASK THE COUNTY COUNSEL, UNDER THIS MOTION, MR. ANTONOVICH'S
14 MOTION, NOT THE AMENDED MOTION, DOES THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
15 HAVE ANY DISCRETION IN TERMS OF WHAT HE CAN COME BACK AND
16 RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD AND TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION? OR IS
17 HE OBLIGATED UNDER THIS MOTION TO ONLY PROPOSE THE BAN?

18

19 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE THINK THAT IT IS THE PLANNING DIRECTOR WHO
20 PREPARES THE REPORT AND IT'S THE PLANNING COMMISSION THAT
21 MAINTAINS A CERTAIN DISCRETION IN WHAT COMES FORWARD TO YOU.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THE PLANNING DIRECTOR WILL HAVE TO
24 RECOMMEND -- DOES THE PLANNING DIRECTOR HAVE TO RECOMMEND TO



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1 THE COMMISSION AN OUTRIGHT BAN? IF HE COMES UP WITH A BETTER
2 IDEA THAT ACCOMPLISHES WHAT--

3

4 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** IF I COULD READ THE MOTION. IT'S TO DIRECT
5 US TO PREPARE A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO TITLE SUCH AND SUCH THAT
6 WOULD PROVIDE FOR A COMPLETE BAN. SO IT'S INSTRUCTING US TO
7 PROVIDE THAT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. IT'S PRETTY CLEAR;
8 IT'S A COMPLETE BAN. IT DOESN'T SAY CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES. IT
9 SAYS A COMPLETE BAN.

10

11 **ANDREA ORDIN:** SO THE DIRECTOR HAS TO FOLLOW THE MOTION, BUT
12 THE PLANNING COMMISSION DOES NOT LOSE ITS DISCRETION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IF THE PLANNING COMMISSION WERE TO ASK
15 THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING FOR ALTERNATIVES, WOULD HE BE FREE TO
16 OFFER ALTERNATIVES?

17

18 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK THAT'S IN THE NATURE OF THE RELATIONSHIP
19 BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND THE DIRECTOR.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS IS GOING TO DO THAT
22 ISN'T BEING DONE UNDER THE CURRENT REGULATION. THAT'S REALLY
23 MY QUESTION. THE CURRENT ORDINANCE HAS STOOD THE TEST OF TIME.
24 HOW LONG HAS OUR ORDINANCE BEEN ON THE BOOKS?

25



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1 **SORIN ALEXANIAN:** FOUR YEARS.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOUR YEARS. AND WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY PROBLEMS
4 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY. A MILLION AND A HALF
5 PEOPLE, IT WOULD BE THE SECOND LARGEST CITY IN THE COUNTY IF
6 IT WAS ITS OWN CITY. AND WE HAVEN'T HAD ONE SINGLE PROBLEM. IN
7 FACT, WE HAVEN'T HAD ONE SINGLE DISPENSARY APPROVED. AND NOW
8 WE'RE ASKING FOR A BAN. WELL, WE HAVE A BAN. WE HAVE A
9 VERITABLE BAN. WE HAVEN'T APPROVED A SINGLE ONE. AND WE'VE
10 ONLY HAD FIVE REQUESTS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** LEGITIMATE REQUESTS. WE'VE HAD THREE OR FOUR IN MY
13 DISTRICT THAT WERE ILLEGAL.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL HE SAYS WE'VE ONLY HAD FIVE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT REQUESTING. I'M TALKING
18 ABOUT TRYING TO OPEN A DISPENSARY IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAD THREE REQUIRED GOING TO COURT IN
21 ANTELOPE VALLEY. ONE IS STILL OPEN.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WERE NOT OFFICIAL REQUESTS.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THOSE ARE ILLEGAL. AND THAT CAN HAPPEN UNDER
2 THE BAN. THE BAN ISN'T GOING TO BAN THE ILLEGAL ONES. THE
3 ILLEGAL ONES WERE OPENED UP ILLEGALLY. SO THE BAN, IF THEY
4 DIDN'T COMPLY WITH THIS ORDINANCE THAT WE HAVE ON THE BOOKS
5 NOW, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE A DAMN ABOUT THE BAN. IT'S THE
6 SAME CROOKS WHO OPENED ILLEGALLY IN ONE PLACE UNDER THIS SET
7 OF RULES ARE GOING TO OPEN UNDER THE NEXT SET OF RULES. THE
8 PROBLEM IS, THE ISSUE IS WHETHER OUR REGULATIONS ARE
9 SUFFICIENT TO REGULATE THOSE THAT WANT TO PLAY BY THE RULES.
10 AND I THINK THE ANSWER TO THAT IS YES. THOSE WHO HAVE CHOSEN
11 TO PLAY BY THE RULES, THERE ARE ONLY FIVE OF THEM. TWO OF THEM
12 WENT BY THE WAYSIDE. ONE DENIED AND ONE WITHDREW. AND THREE
13 ARE STILL PENDING. SO IF THIS BAN IS DESIGNED TO BAN THE ONES,
14 THE FLY-BY-NIGHT GUYS THAT ARE OPENING UP ILLEGALLY, THIS
15 ISN'T GOING TO DO IT. THE ONLY THING THAT CAN DO THAT IS LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT, AND THAT ISN'T EASY. ANYWAY, I THINK MR. RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS' AMENDMENT IS A GOOD ONE BECAUSE IT ADDRESSES SOME OF
18 THE OTHER ISSUES THAT ARE PENDING. BUT I REALLY DON'T
19 UNDERSTAND THE REASON FOR THIS ORDINANCE AT THIS TIME. AND
20 MAYBE THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL BE ABLE TO FERRET THIS OUT
21 AS IT GOES IN THE NEXT 60 OR 90 DAYS.

22
23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PERHAPS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DIRECTOR
3 CAN COMMENT ON ANY RECENT ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN
4 ADJACENT JURISDICTIONS OR MUNICIPALITIES THAT MIGHT, THEN,
5 HAVE BEARING ON OUR CONCERNS. ANY DECISIONS OF LATE? SAY BY
6 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ON THIS ITEM?

7

8 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS RECENTLY ENACTED
9 ORDINANCES WHICH HAVE DIFFERENT CHARACTERISTICS THAN OURS.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHICH MIGHT BE WHAT?

12

13 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** WE HAVE TO TAKE A CAREFUL LOOK AT THAT. IT
14 MAY MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO APPLY AND HAVE HIGHER STANDARDS.
15 MORE STRICT STANDARDS, IF YOU WILL.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEREFORE THE DECISION THAT'S BEING
18 CONTEMPLATED TODAY IS NOT TO BE THOUGHT OF IN ISOLATION; BUT,
19 IN FACT, RELATIVE TO JURISDICTIONS THAT ARE IN THE IMMEDIATE
20 ENVIRONMENT THAT COULD HAVE AN EFFECT ON THE UNINCORPORATED
21 AREA OF THE COUNTY, THAT'S ONE CONSIDERATION. MADAM COUNTY
22 COUNSEL, IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO HELP ALL OF US WITH THE
23 STRENGTH OF THE CONCERNS THAT YOUR OFFICE RAISED ABOUT THE
24 ISSUE OF A MORATORIUM AS WE SOUGHT TO EXPLORE THAT AS A
25 CONSIDERATION IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.



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2 **ANDREA ORDIN:** OUR VIEW HAS BEEN THAT WE CANNOT NOW DO A
3 MORATORIUM.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND AN EXPLANATION AS TO WHY? IT IS THE
6 FACT OF THE PRIOR MORATORIUM AND THE INABILITY TO COME IN OVER
7 THAT PAST MORATORIUM, I CAN TURN IT OVER TO RICK WEISS, WHO
8 CAN EXPLAIN IT A LITTLE MORE FULLY.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT SO THAT
11 THERE'S A FULL APPRECIATION FOR THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE MATTER
12 HAS BEEN VETTED, AND THE VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES LESS THAN A BAN
13 INEFFECTIVE OR UNACCEPTABLE FROM A LEGAL POINT OF VIEW.

14

15 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE CAN CERTAINLY AT A TIME, IF THIS MOTION DOES
16 PASS, AT THE TIME THAT THE DIRECTOR TAKES THE POSITION AND THE
17 POSITION THAT THE DIRECTOR DOES, CERTAINLY THE PLANNING
18 COMMISSION AT THAT TIME CAN HAVE THE BENEFIT OF ALL OF THAT
19 ANALYSIS IN MAKING ITS DECISION.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I JUST THOUGHT THE AUDIENCE WOULD
22 APPRECIATE THE LEGAL DETERMINATION AS RELATES THE DISPOSITION
23 OF A MORATORIUM BEING LEGALLY UNTENABLE FROM THE PERSPECTIVE
24 OF COUNTY COUNSEL, CORRECT?

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1 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT
2 THE MORATORIUM?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S FINE.

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6 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE ABILITY TO ADOPT AN INTERIM ORDINANCE IS
8 CONTROLLED BY STATE LAW. BACK IN 2005, YOUR BOARD DID ADOPT
9 EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING MEDICAL MARIJUANA
10 DISPENSARIES. THE STATE LAW THAT AUTHORIZED THIS EMERGENCY
11 ORDINANCE PROVIDES THAT ONCE AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED
12 AND THEN TERMINATES THAT NO ADDITIONAL MORATORIUM CAN BE
13 ADOPTED ON THE SAME SUBJECT. AND SO IT'S OUR LEGAL CONCLUSION
14 THAT THE BOARD HAS USED ITS MORATORIUM TIME ALREADY. HAVING
15 SAID THAT, PENDING ANY FURTHER ORDINANCE, THE REQUIREMENT
16 REMAINS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY THAT NO MEDICAL MARIJUANA
17 DISPENSARY CAN OPEN WITHOUT A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THAT ISSUE WAS SOUGHT IN THE FIRST
20 INSTANCE, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE SUPREME COURT DECISION
21 RULING THAT'S PENDING AS WELL AS BEFORE THE COURT OF APPEALS
22 AND THE ELECTION IN NOVEMBER. THEREFORE, ONCE AGAIN, THE
23 AMENDMENT WHICH THE AUTHOR HAS ACCEPTED AS A WAY TO TAKE INTO
24 CONSIDERATION THE RANGE OF FACTORS THAT ARE UNDER
25 CONSIDERATION LEGALLY, BUT IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE QUESTION



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1 OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF PERSONS WHO SEEK THE USE OF MEDICAL
2 MARIJUANA AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF STAKEHOLDERS WHO ARE IN
3 THE SPECIFIC COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THE APPLICATIONS MAY BE
4 MADE. SO MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE'S ANYTHING
5 FURTHER TO DISCUSS. WITH YOUR PERMISSION AND IF THE MAKER OF
6 THE MOTION'S READY TO DISPOSE OF IT, I'VE EXHAUSTED MY --

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED AS AMENDED.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU MOVE WHAT?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED, AS AMENDED.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. LET ME JUST ASK ONE LAST
15 QUESTION. RIGHT NOW, IF ONE SETS UP ILLEGALLY ONE OF THESE
16 DISPENSARIES, HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET THEM CLOSED DOWN,
17 ON AVERAGE?

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19 **SORIN ALEXANIAN** IT VARIES, BUT I'D LIKE TO REFER THIS QUESTION
20 TO COUNTY COUNSEL.

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22 **>>ANDREA ORDIN:** WE WILL START A CIVIL PROCEEDING WITH A
23 TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER GIVING ADEQUATE NOTICE AND LOOKING
24 AT THE COURT CALENDAR. THAT COULD TAKE THREE OR FOUR MONTHS TO



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1 OBTAIN THE T.R.O. AND THEN IF THERE'S A FIGHT OVER THAT, AND
2 THE ACTION IS NOT TAKEN, THEN IT COULD GO --

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE REASON I SAY, I KNOW IT TAKES ANYWHERE
5 FROM SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR TO CLOSE ONE DOWN IS THAT STARTED
6 ILLEGALLY. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY JUST OPENED UP SHOP ONE DAY
7 WITHOUT ANY PERMITS WHATSOEVER. IS THERE ANYTHING THAT WE
8 COULD PASS THAT WOULD PERMIT US TO ACTUALLY LOCK THEM OUT OR
9 CLOSE IT DOWN, NOT ALLOW THEM TO OPERATE? LET THEM GO THROUGH
10 A PROCEDURE. THEY CAN OPEN UP AFTER THE FACT. BECAUSE I KNOW
11 THAT THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON. IN MY UNINCORPORATED AREA,
12 THEY'RE JUST MOVING IN. AND THEY JUST PLOP THEMSELVES DOWN.
13 AND THEN WE HAVE TO CITE THEM, IT TAKES 30 DAYS. THEY HAVE TO
14 RESPOND. IT TAKES FOREVER. THEN THEY START A COURT PROCEEDING
15 AND THEY ARE SELLING ALL DAY LONG.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** THE SAME THING HAPPENED IN OUR DISTRICT.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO IS THERE SOMETHING WE COULD PASS THAT
20 COULD SAY BECAUSE OF THIS BAN AND ALL THAT'S GOING ON -- I
21 MEAN YOU CAN'T HAVE AN ILLEGAL LIQUOR STORE. I MEAN A LIQUOR
22 STORE CAN'T MOVE IN AND SELL LIQUOR OVERNIGHT.

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24 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S AN ORDINANCE THAT YOU
25 CAN PASS THAT WOULD BE EFFECTIVE, BECAUSE MOST SUCH ORDINANCES



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1 STILL REQUIRE A DEGREE OF DUE PROCESS. AND IF THERE IS A
2 DEGREE OF DUE PROCESS, THE WAY YOU ENFORCE IT IS AGAIN GOING
3 TO GET YOUR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND THEN YOUR
4 PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND ANY SUBSEQUENT APPEAL.

5 NEVERTHELESS, THERE'S NO REASON THAT IN THE INTERIM WHILE
6 WE'RE GOING THROUGH WHATEVER PROCESS WE GO THROUGH HERE, WE
7 COULD LOOK AT ANY MORE SUMMARY PROCEEDING FOR ILLEGAL --

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT COULDN'T YOU GET A RESTRAINING ORDER
10 ON THE FIRST DAY, SINCE IT IS A, AGAIN, THE KIND OF SUBSTANCE
11 THAT IT IS AND SO ON, SO THAT WE CAN CLOSE IT. THEY DIDN'T GET
12 ANY PERMITS. THERE IS A PROCESS. THERE WAS A PROCESS TO GO
13 THROUGH. BUT THEY'VE BEEN VIOLATING IT. I'M JUST WONDERING IF
14 THERE IS ANYTHING THAT WE COULD GO IN AND WITHIN THE FIRST,
15 YOU KNOW, CITATION, YOU KNOW IT'S ILLEGAL. YOU KNOW THAT THEY
16 RECEIVED NO PERMITS WHATSOEVER TO GET THERE. CAN YOU GO IN AND
17 JUST LOCK THEM UP, GET A RESTRAINING ORDER, AND THEN LET THEM
18 GO THROUGH DUE PROCESS AND THEY CAN OPEN UP AGAIN IF THEY'RE
19 SUCCESSFUL? BUT THE POINT IS THAT THEY'RE ABUSING OUR LAWS
20 BECAUSE THEY JUST SET UP. THEY KNOW IT WILL TAKE ANYWHERE FROM
21 SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR. AND THAT'S QUICK TO GO THROUGH A
22 PROCESS. AND ALL OF THE TIME THEY'RE DOING BUSINESS. THEN WHEN
23 WHAT HAPPENS, THEY CLOSE THAT DOWN AND MOVE TWO BLOCKS AWAY
24 AND START AGAIN.

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1 **ANDREA ORDIN:** SUPERVISOR, IF THE --

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3 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE HAS TO BE A WAY.

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5 **ANDREA ORDIN:** ONCE OBTAINING THE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER,
6 THEY SHOULD HAVE AT THAT POINT HAVE TO STOP. AND SO THERE ARE
7 OTHER SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS IF THEY ARE VIOLATING THE TEMPORARY
8 RESTRAINING ORDER. AND USUALLY THAT TAKES THREE MONTHS.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET A TO GET THE
11 RESTRAINING ORDER?

12

13 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THREE MONTHS IS THE TRADITION. WE'VE BEEN
14 SUCCESSFUL THUS FAR ON OUR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** TWO MONTHS?

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18 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THREE MONTHS.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, THREE MONTHS. WELL, THAT'S NOT MUCH OF
21 A RESTRAINING ORDER. THAT'S THE BEST WE CAN DO? WHY COULDN'T
22 WE GET A RESTRAINING ORDER ON THE FIRST DAY?

23

24 **ANDREA ORDIN:** BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOTICES REQUIREMENTS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT YOU'VE NOTICED AND SO
2 ON. BUT A RESTRAINING ORDER USUALLY STOPS THEM FROM DOING
3 BUSINESS. NOW, AGAIN, WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT ONE THAT HAS
4 GONE THROUGH THE PROCESS OF SOME TYPE AND IS VIOLATING A
5 CONDITION. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ACTUALLY JUST OPENING UP AND
6 JUST SETTING UP SHOP THAT DAY WITHOUT ANY, ANY PERMIT
7 WHATSOEVER.

8

9 **ANDREA ORDIN:** WE CAN CERTAINLY LOOK AND SEE HOW WE CAN SPEED
10 UP THE PROCESS MORE. I'VE NOT SURE A NEW ORDINANCE IS THE
11 RIGHT ANSWER, THOUGH.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, THE THING IS THAT I JUST THINK THAT
14 WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO THEIR DUE PROCESS AND ALL, THEY
15 VIOLATE OUR PROCESSES. THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. AND THEN
16 THEY JUST MOVE DOWN THE STREET AND IT STARTS ALL OVER AGAIN.
17 AND SO I THINK THAT THAT'S WHERE THE REAL PROBLEM IN MY AREA,
18 THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON. AND SO THERE CAN BE A PROCESS ALL DAY
19 LONG. AND THERE CAN BE A BAN. BUT UNTIL YOU FIND SOME QUICK
20 MECHANISM TO CLOSE IT DOWN ON THE VERY DAY THAT THEY OPEN IT
21 AND NOT ALLOW THEM, PROHIBIT THEM FROM SELLING. AND I DON'T
22 KNOW HOW WE CAN DO IT. IF IT CAN BE THROUGH MAYBE THE FIRE
23 DEPARTMENT COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT? THERE CAN BE A WAY
24 THAT THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO CLOSE DOWN WITHOUT -- AND THEN
25 START SEEKING THE PROPER PERMITS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, WHAT ABOUT THE OPTION OF
3 INCREASING THE FINES AND/OR PENALTIES PURSUANT TO IT? IS THAT
4 CONSIDERATION?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY'RE VERY CLEVER. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING
7 YOU NEVER GET THEM.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SEE.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY'VE SET IT UP UNDER DIFFERENT PEOPLE'S
12 NAMES. THEY DO ALL KINDS OF THINGS. AND IT'S NOT A LEGITIMATE
13 BUSINESS. I MEAN, THOSE THAT ARE LEGITIMATE WILL GO THROUGH A
14 PROCESS THAT WE COULD HONOR. BUT MOST OF THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE
15 CREATED A PROBLEM FOR THOSE WHO LEGITIMATELY WANT TO DO THIS
16 APPROPRIATELY, IT IS ALL OF THOSE VIOLATORS THAT ARE GETTING
17 US TO THE POINT OF NOW HAVING TO GO TO AN ABSOLUTE BAN.

18 [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **ANDREA ORDIN:** SUPERVISOR, WHY DON'T WHATEVER VOTE YOU TAKE ON
21 THE EXISTING MOTIONS, ASK US TO RETURN IN TWO WEEKS WITH
22 TIMELINES AND SUGGESTIONS FOR SPEED FOR THOSE WHO ARE ACTING
23 ILLEGALLY?

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND MAYBE WE CAN HAVE A SPECIAL TASKFORCE
2 THAT WOULD DO NOTHING BUT THAT SO IT WOULD CONCENTRATE ALL OF
3 ITS TIME AND MAYBE SHORTEN THE TIMEFRAMES. THERE COULD BE DUE
4 PROCESS, BUT DOES IT HAVE TO GO ON FOR AS LONG AS IT DOES?
5 AGAIN, THIS IS A TOTAL VIOLATION.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I PIGGYBACK ON?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I PIGGYBACK ON YOUR QUESTION?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SURE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE CITY ATTORNEY OF LOS ANGELES, MY
16 IMPRESSION IS, IS SHUTTING THE ILLEGAL ONES DOWN RIGHT AND
17 LEFT AS AS WE SPEAK. WHAT IS HE DOING THAT WE'RE NOT DOING?
18 MAYBE MR. WEISS KNOWS?

19

20 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, UNDER THE CITY'S NEW
21 ORDINANCE, A NUMBER OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES HAD
22 OPENED DURING THE PRE-ORDINANCE PERIOD ARE BEING PROSECUTED
23 NOW. HOWEVER, IF THEY REFUSE TO CLOSE, I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY
24 PROCESS THAT THE CITY OF L.A. CAN USE THAT WOULD BE ANY FASTER
25 OR BETTER THAN OURS THAN GOING INTO COURT, FILING LAWSUITS,



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1 GOING AFTER THEM FOR ZONING VIOLATIONS, SEEKING TEMPORARY
2 RESTRAINING ORDERS IF THEY REFUSE TO CLOSE, PRELIMINARY
3 INJUNCTIONS AND SO FORTH. THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD, THE COURT IS
4 GOING TO EXPECT THAT THE COUNTY OR THE CITY ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE
5 IT BY SENDING VIOLATION NOTICES AND GETTING THEM TO CLOSE
6 QUICKLY AND PROVIDING NOTICE. PART OF THAT THREE MONTHS IS THE
7 INFORMAL PROCESS FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF ZONING ENFORCEMENT.
8 WE CAN TRY TO ACCELERATE THAT BY SPENDING LESS TIME ON THE
9 INFORMAL EFFORTS AND MORE TIME AND MORE QUICKLY FILING
10 LAWSUITS AND TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS, BUT IT'S STILL
11 GOING TO TAKE WEEKS AND NOT DAYS IN ORDER TO DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHEN WE HAVE CLOSED DOWN THE BOTANICAS IN
14 OUR COMMUNITY, WHICH AGAIN ARE THE HERBAL MEDICATIONS AND
15 THINGS OF THAT SORT, IN MANY INSTANCES THEY CARRY ILLEGAL
16 PHARMACEUTICALS. AND WE'RE ABLE TO CLOSE THEM DOWN WHEN WE GO
17 IN. WE SEND IN A HEALTH INSPECTOR. CAN THIS BE DONE IN THE
18 SAME FASHION?

19

20 **RICHARD WEISS:** I'M NOT FAMILIAR PERSONALLY WITH THE HEALTH
21 INSPECTORS' TIME FRAMES. THEY MAY BE ABLE TO MOVE MORE
22 QUICKLY. THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THE
23 USE OF IT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IS NOT A HEALTH
24 VIOLATION IN MY OPINION AND THEREFORE IT MAY NOT BE SUBJECT TO
25 THE SAME ACCELERATED --



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT I DO THINK THAT UNDER THAT PROCESS AS
3 WELL THEY ASK THEM TO -- DO THEY HAVE ALL THE APPROPRIATE
4 PERMITS TO CARRY OUT THAT BUSINESS? I THINK THAT'S PART OF THE
5 RESPONSIBILITY, AS WELL, UNDER A HEALTH OFFICER. SO THAT'S WHY
6 I'M SAYING THAT MIGHT BE A MECHANISM. COULD WE IN TWO WEEKS
7 COME BACK AND LOOK AT THOSE KINDS OF OPTIONS AS WELL AS
8 ELIMINATING THE INFORMAL PROCESS? BECAUSE THAT'S GOING TO
9 CONTINUE TO HAPPEN NO MATTER WHAT WE DO AT THIS POINT IN TIME.
10 AND I'M ALL IN SUPPORT OF THE BAN. IT IS THE ILLEGAL POT
11 DISPENSARIES THAT ARE OPENING UP WITH IRRESPONSIBLE OWNERS
12 THAT ARE LEADING TO CRIME AND CREATING THE KIND OF PROBLEM
13 THAT WE HAVE. AND THAT IS WHAT'S GOING ON IN UNINCORPORATED
14 AREAS. AND SO IF WE REALLY WANT TO GET AT IT, WE'RE GOING TO
15 HAVE TO LOOK AT VERY CREATIVE AND DIFFERENT MECHANISMS IN
16 ORDER TO STOP THESE ILLEGAL POT DISPENSARIES THROUGHOUT THE
17 COMMUNITY.

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19 **ANDREA ORDIN:** AND I THINK WE WILL ALSO WANT TO PUT SOME
20 EMPHASIS ON DETERMINING WHERE AND WHEN THEY ARE OPENING. I
21 THINK IN THE RECENT PAST, THERE HAVE BEEN VERY FEW IN THE
22 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OPERATING ILLEGALLY. BUT RIGHT NOW
23 APPARENTLY IT'S ACCELERATING.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THEY'RE MOVING INTO THE VALINDA
2 UNINCORPORATED AREA, WE HAVE SEEN. THEY'RE OPEN ALL HOURS. AND
3 THEY JUST VIOLATE ALL KINDS OF RULES.

4

5 **ANDREA ORDIN:** SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ALSO FIND OUT A WAY TO
6 DETERMINE WHERE THOSE FACILITIES ARE AND BE ABLE TO REPORT
7 BACK TO YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THE PUBLIC DOES A PRETTY GOOD JOB LETTING US KNOW
10 WHERE THEY ARE. YOU KNOW, I MEAN THE CLASSIC WAS THE ONE THAT
11 OPENED ILLEGALLY RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE SHERIFF'S
12 TRAINING ACADEMY.

13

14 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT WAS A GOOD ONE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S HUEVOS.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I BEG YOUR PARDON?

19

20 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IT'S A LEGAL TERM.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S A VERY LEGAL TERM. AND IT TOOK US A LONG TIME
23 TO CLOSE IT. SUPERVISOR?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST TO BE CLEAR, THIS BAN, IF IT IS
2 APPROVED IS NOT BANNING THE ILLEGAL ONES, IT'S BANNING THE
3 LEGAL ONES, I MEAN IN A RHETORICAL SORT OF WAY. [APPLAUSE.]
4 PLEASE. IF THIS BAN GOES INTO EFFECT, IT WILL SUPERSEDE OUR
5 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT ORDINANCE, WHICH IS THE VEHICLE THROUGH
6 WHICH PEOPLE CAN LEGALLY APPLY FOR THIS, AND THERE HAVE BEEN
7 FIVE APPLICATIONS. IT WILL NOT DO ANY MORE OR ANY LESS ABOUT
8 THE ILLEGAL ONES THAN OUR CURRENT C.U.P. ORDINANCE HAS DONE.
9 SO THE SCOFFLAWS ARE SCOFFLAWS. THEY WILL IGNORE OUR CURRENT
10 LAW, THEY WILL IGNORE THE NEXT LAW. IT'S THE SAME PENALTY FOR
11 VIOLATING THE C.U.P. LAW AS IT IS TO VIOLATE THIS BAN, IT'S
12 EXACTLY THE SAME PENALTY. SO THERE IS NO ADDED DISINCENTIVE.
13 SO IF THE IMPRESSION IS BEING CREATED THAT THIS BAN WILL
14 ADDRESS THOSE THAT ARE ILLEGAL, THEY WON'T. YOU'RE GOING TO
15 HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS GO CLOSE THEM
16 DOWN AND DO ALL THE THINGS, THE LABORIOUS THINGS THAT YOU HAVE
17 TO DO TO CLOSE A NON-COMPLYING USE, A NON-CONFORMING USE.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT IF YOU GO THROUGH THE HEALTH
20 OFFICE, YOU'LL FIND THAT IT'S A DIFFERENT MECHANISM THAT CAN
21 BE USED.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I HOPE WE CAN FIND A WAY TO EXPEDITE IT. BECAUSE
24 IT'S THE ILLEGAL ONES THAT ARE DRIVING EVERYBODY CRAZY SINCE
25 THERE ARE NO LEGAL ONES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE



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1 COUNTY THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED. THAT'S THE IRONY OF THIS WHOLE
2 THING.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, I THINK IT IS REASONABLE TO
5 ANTICIPATE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'S
6 RECENT DECISION. AND I OFFER NO CRITICISM OF WHAT THEY HAVE
7 DONE, BUT I THINK IT IS WHOLLY APPROPRIATE TO ANTICIPATE HOW
8 THAT MIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE
9 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE
10 ALREADY KNOW IN TERMS OF MUNICIPALITIES MAKING RULINGS THAT
11 END UP BEING A PROBLEM FOR US, CALL THEM STRIP MALLS, CALL
12 THEM WHATEVER YOU MAY WISH TO CALL, BUT THERE IS A LIST OF
13 SUCH THINGS THAT WE CAN POINT TO. IT MIGHT BE REASONABLE TO
14 THINK ABOUT THE LARGER CONTEXT RATHER THAN THE SPECIFIC
15 CONCERNS OF THE COUNTY WITHOUT PAYING ATTENTION TO THE
16 BEHAVIOR OR THE ACTIONS OF OTHER ADJACENT GOVERNING BODIES
17 AND/OR MUNICIPALITIES. I THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, AN
18 ISSUE THAT HAS TO BE WEIGHED CAREFULLY. AND I THINK THE
19 AMENDING MOTION HELPS US CRAFT THAT IN THE INTERIM. I TRUST
20 THAT WE CAN DO SOME MORE THINKING. WE LOOK TO THE DIRECTOR FOR
21 REGIONAL PLANNING TO DO A BIT MORE HARD THINKING ABOUT THIS
22 AND SEE IF WE CAN'T MEET THE MULTIPLE OBJECTIVES THAT WE SEEK
23 TO ADDRESS.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I MAKE A SUGGESTION ON
3 THIS, JUST ON YOUR IDEA? CAN WE ALSO, IN ADDITION TO GETTING A
4 REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS, CAN WE ALSO -- WOULD YOU ACCEPT AS A
5 FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THE DIRECTION TO THE PLANNING DIRECTOR TO
6 LOOK AT WAYS TO IMPROVE, EXPEDITE THE ENFORCEMENT OF THOSE
7 THAT ARE NOT LEGAL?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** EXPEDITING ENFORCEMENT IS CRUCIAL AS WELL.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND ADDRESSING THE ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES THAT
12 WE HAVE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHAT I ASKED, IS TO ASK FOR A
15 SHORTCUT. THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE DOING.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO BUT I THOUGHT YOU WERE ASKING FOR
18 THEM TO COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS. I'D LIKE HIM TO ALSO BE
19 INSTRUCTED WHEN HE GOES BACK TO THE COMMISSION TO ADDRESS THAT
20 IN HIS --

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT WE'RE SAYING IS TO ELIMINATE THE
23 INFORMAL PROCESS SO IT WOULD QUICKEN IT UP AND JUST RIGHT INTO
24 COURT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHATEVER IT TAKES. BUT I WANT MR. BRUCKNER
2 IN ADDITION TO WHAT WE'RE GOING GET IN TWO WEEKS FROM THE
3 COUNTY COUNSEL, FOR YOU AS YOU GO TO YOUR COMMISSION WITH THE
4 MOTION TO ALSO INCORPORATE THAT ASPECT OF IT WORKING WITH THE
5 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE COMMISSION. SO IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS ON
6 THIS THAT YOU CAN COME UP COLLECTIVELY THAT YOU HAVE THE
7 AUTHORITY TO RECOMMEND TO YOUR COMMISSION, VEHICLES TO ADDRESS
8 THE ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES THAT ARE OUT THERE, WHICH I THINK ARE
9 CAUSING MOST OF THE CONCERN.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THEN THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
12 IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED AND AMENDED. ANY OBJECTION? IF
13 NOT, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 48-C. COULD WE HAVE THE
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE UP HERE?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 48-B? IS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HERE? IF
19 THEY'D COME AND JOIN US, PLEASE.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS A REQUEST BY THE SHERIFF
22 FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
23 CONTRACTS WITH BOTH THE CITIES OF MAYWOOD AND CUDAHY, WHICH
24 WAS A CONTRACT CITY FOR MAYWOOD UNTIL MAYWOOD DISBANDED ITS
25 POLICE DEPARTMENT THIS PAST MONTH. THE CITY OF MAYWOOD LOST



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1 ITS LIABILITY INSURANCE AND VOTED TO DISBAND THE DEPARTMENT
2 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, ACTING UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, ASKING THE
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ASSUME POLICE SERVICES EFFECTIVE THIS
4 PAST WEEK.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. ANTONOVICH, COULD I JUST GET EVERYBODY
7 TO PLEASE QUIET DOWN A LITTLE BIT? WE CAN'T LISTEN TO THE
8 SPEAKER. PLEASE GO AHEAD, I'M SORRY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MANY OF THE NEWER POLICE OFFICERS, WE
11 UNDERSTAND, WERE FIRED BY OTHER POLICE AGENCIES PRIOR TO
12 JOINING THE MAYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT, NOT TO SAY THAT THERE
13 ARE NOT GOOD OFFICERS ON THE DEPARTMENT OR WHATEVER. THE
14 PROPOSED CONTRACT PROVIDES \$3.8 MILLION, OF WHICH \$3.7 MILLION
15 IS FOR SALARIES AND BENEFITS AND 74,000 IS FOR SERVICES AND
16 SUPPLIES. THE TOTAL OF 28 NEW POSITIONS, FOUR SERGEANTS, 18
17 DEPUTIES, THREE BONUS, ONE DEPUTY, TWO LAW ENFORCEMENT
18 TECHNICIANS AND ONE CUSTODIAL ASSISTANT. IN CUDAHY, THE CITY
19 CONTRACTED WITH THE CITY OF MAYWOOD FOR THEIR POLICE SERVICES
20 UNTIL MAYWOOD DISBANDED. THEIR CONTRACT PROVIDES FOR 3-1/2
21 BILLION DOLLARS, OF WHICH 3 MILLION IS FOR SALARY AND EMPLOYEE
22 BENEFITS AND 240,000 FOR SERVICES AND SUPPLIES, AND 250,000
23 FOR FIXED ASSETS. THEY'RE HAVING A TOTAL OF 23 NEW POSITIONS,
24 THREE SERGEANTS, 15 DEPUTIES, THREE BONUS, ONE DEPUTY, ONE LAW
25 ENFORCEMENT TECHNICIAN AND ONE STATION CLERK. SO THE QUESTION



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1 I'D LIKE TO ASK: ARE YOU AWARE OF A RESOLUTION THAT HAD BEEN
2 PASSED BY THE CITY OF MAYWOOD WHICH HAD ORDERED ITS POLICE
3 DEPARTMENT NOT TO ENFORCE D.U.I. CHECK POINTS?

4

5 **HENRY ROMERO:** SIR, MY NAME IS HENRY ROMERO, CAPTAIN OF EAST
6 LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S STATION. I CAN ANSWER THAT QUESTION. I
7 TALKED TO SOME OF THE PERSONNEL THAT WERE THERE, AND THEY DID
8 TELL ME THAT THERE WAS A RESOLUTION PASSED. BUT THAT'S ALL IT
9 WAS. IT WAS NEVER CODIFIED. IT WAS JUST A RESOLUTION IN
10 RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE CHECKPOINTS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO D.U.I., DRIVER'S LICENSE, WHATEVER THE
13 CHECKPOINTS THAT YOU INSTALLED ARE NOT GOING TO BE APPLICABLE
14 TO --

15

16 **HENRY ROMERO:** THAT WAS WHAT THEY PASSED FOR THE CITY OF
17 MAYWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. IN TERMS OF MAYWOOD'S POLICE FORCE,
20 HAVE ANY OF THEIR OFFICERS APPLIED TO TRANSFER, DO LATERAL
21 TRANSFERS?

22

23 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** AT THIS TIME -- GLEN DRAGOVICH WITH
24 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION. AT THIS TIME WE'VE GIVEN THE
25 TEST OUT TO -- 35 WERE ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE TEST, 35 OFFICERS,



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1 26 ACTUALLY COMPLETED THE APPLICATION TO FILE AND FILED. THERE
2 WAS 23 THAT ACTUALLY TOOK THE WRITTEN TEST AND PASSED IT, AND
3 ACTUALLY WAS TODAY AND THREE NO SHOWS. SO THEY'RE GOING
4 THROUGH THE PROCESS, 23 OF THEM.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEY WILL GO THE THOROUGH PROCESS THAT WE
7 REQUIRE ANY DEPUTY TO GO THROUGH. THERE WILL BE NO WAIVERS.

8

9 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YEAH, THERE WILL BE NO WAIVERS. WE'RE GOING
10 THROUGH THE NORMAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND MEDICAL AND ALSO
11 PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THAT TIMEFRAME?

14

15 **HENRY ROMERO:** I DON'T HAVE THE TIMEFRAME, BUT WE'RE GOING TO
16 GO THROUGH AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. BUT IT'S STILL GOING TO
17 TAKE A WHILE TO GO THROUGH THE BACKGROUND. SO IT'LL PROBABLY
18 BE A GOOD THREE MONTHS, I WOULD IMAGINE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 90 DAYS, 120 DAYS?

21

22 **HENRY ROMERO:** SOMETHING LIKE THAT, YES.

23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS FOR THE FISCAL SOLVENCY OF THE CITY, WHAT
2 OPTIONS DOES THE COUNTY HAVE WHEN A CONTRACT CITY DEFAULTS ON
3 SERVICES RENDERED?

4

5 **HENRY ROMERO:** WHAT WE DO IS, WE WORK WITH THE AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER, AND THEY ARE ABLE TO ACTUALLY WITHHOLD THE CITY'S
7 PROPERTY TAX MONEY. SO WE DO EVENTUALLY GET PAID. AND WE'VE
8 DONE THAT IN THE PAST FOR SOME CITIES.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE HAVE BEEN OTHER CITIES SAYING THAT
11 BECAUSE OF THE STATE'S FISCAL INABILITY TO ADOPT A BUDGET AND
12 THEY'RE NOW ATTEMPTING TO THROW RESPONSIBILITIES BACK ON LOCAL
13 JURISDICTIONS. IF THEY ALSO -- BECAUSE WE HAVE, WHAT, ABOUT 44
14 CITIES THAT CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF RIGHT NOW?

15

16 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** THIS WILL MAKE 42 WITH THESE TWO.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE ARE 46 THAT HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE
19 DEPARTMENT. HAVE ANY OF THE OTHERS TALKED WITH THE SHERIFF'S
20 DEPARTMENT?

21

22 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WE HAVE JUST COMPLETED A PHASE ONE STUDY FOR
23 THE CITY OF POMONA. THEY'RE CONSIDERING IT.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO POMONA IS CONSIDERING. HAVE ANY OF THE --
2 WELL LET ME ASK MR. FUJIOKA, IF A CITY IS FINANCIALLY UNABLE
3 TO MEET THEIR OBLIGATIONS AND THEY DO WHAT MAYWOOD HAD DONE,
4 TURN EVERYTHING OVER TO THE PRIVATE SIDE, HOW DO WE HANDLE --
5 HOW DOES THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HOW DOES THE COUNTY HANDLE
6 POLICE SERVICES FOR THOSE JURISDICTIONS?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOU MEAN IF THEY OPT NOT TO CONTRACT WITH OUR
9 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. WELL, NO, NO. LET'S SAY THEY JUST SAY
12 WE'RE NO LONGER GOING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY, IT'S TO UP THE
13 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO DO IT. HOW ARE WE GOING TO BE
14 REIMBURSED FOR THOSE SERVICES?

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE WE WOULD PROVIDE THE SERVICE AND
17 STILL SEEK REIMBURSEMENT.

18

19 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WE WOULD BILL THEM AS WE DO ALL THE OTHER
20 CITIES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. I KNOW, YOU BILL THEM. BUT IF THEY
23 HAVE NO MONEY, HOW DO YOU RECEIVE THE COMPENSATION? DO YOU
24 ATTACH THEIR PROPERTY TAXES AND THEN THAT GOES DIRECTLY TO US?

25



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

2

3 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YES.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DO HAVE THAT ABILITY. IN FACT, WE'VE DONE
6 THAT IN THE PAST AND WE'RE LOOKING AT THAT OPTION RIGHT NOW
7 FOR ANOTHER CITY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO THEY HAVE ENOUGH REVENUES IN THOSE
10 PROPERTY TAXES TO COMPENSATE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY? BECAUSE I
11 WOULD ASSUME SOME WILL ALSO REQUIRE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AS
12 WELL.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE WOULD CONSIDER IT, FOR LACK OF A BETTER
15 EXPRESSION, FIRST CALL. WE'D HAVE FIRST CALL ON THEIR PROPERTY
16 TAX REVENUES FOR THOSE CRITICAL PUBLIC SERVICES.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE QUESTION RAISED.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** TO FOLLOW-UP TO THAT. WHAT ABOUT, DO WE HAVE THE
21 AVAILABLE DEPUTIES?

22

23 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** AT THIS TIME WE DO. WE ARE RIGHT NOW GOING TO
24 BE WORKING, YOU WILL SEE WE ARE TRYING TO CUT DOWN ON
25 OVERTIME, BUT IT WILL BE DONE AN OVERTIME BASIS AT THIS POINT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SO WON'T BE PULLING FROM OTHER UNINCORPORATED
3 AREAS OR OTHER CONTRACT CITIES?

4

5 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** NO. YOU WILL NOT SEE ANY OTHER SERVICES FROM
6 ANY PLACE ELSE AFFECTED BY THIS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONSTANTLY BEING ASSURED OF THAT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE THAT IN BLOOD, RIGHT? HIS BLOOD.
11 [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **HENRY ROMERO:** ABSOLUTELY. I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING IN
14 EAST LOS ANGELES FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS WITH THE HELP OF
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE'VE WORKED VERY HARD TO MAINTAIN
16 RESOURCES IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
17 FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT AND KEEPING THE CRIME DOWN. I'M NOT
18 ABOUT TO LET THAT GO BY THE WAYSIDE SIMPLY BECAUSE WE PICKED
19 UP NEW CONTRACTS. SO THAT IS A PRIORITY FOR MYSELF AND FOR THE
20 STATION. WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE DOING WHAT WE HAVE TO DO IN
21 EAST LOS ANGELES.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S OUR CONCERNS. THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
24 RETAIN THEIR SERVICE. AND THEN THE FINANCIAL REIMBURSEMENT,
25 HOW DO WE RECEIVE THOSE FUNDS TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES?



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1 BECAUSE THIS IS PROBABLY JUST THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG, VERY
2 LIKELY, UNLESS SACRAMENTO GETS THEIR ACT TOGETHER. BUT THANK
3 YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THE TWO ISSUES THAT WERE
6 RAISED BY SUPERVISOR. NUMBER ONE, HAS COMPTON PAID US YET?

7

8 **HENRY ROMERO:** YES. COMPTON DOES PAY. THEY ARE BEHIND
9 CURRENTLY, BUT THEY JUST RECENTLY, WE GOT TWO MONTHS' WORTH.
10 SO THEY ARE SLOWLY PAYING, YES.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, BUT WE WILL GET THAT MONEY FOR SURE.
13 I'M SORRY?

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** EXCUSE ME WE HAVE PUT THEM ON NOTICE SHOULD
16 THEY FAIL TO PAY, THAT WE WOULD TAKE THE EXTREME MEASURE OF
17 WITHHOLDING THEIR PROPERTY TAX. SO WE HAVE DONE THAT. THAT'S
18 WHY THEY STARTED TO PAY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** FOR THAT. SECONDLY, ON THE OFFICERS THAT
21 ARE GOING THROUGH THE TESTING AND ALL ASPECTS OF IT, WILL THEY
22 START AS REGULAR DEPUTIES? OR DO THEY COME IN WITH CERTAIN
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO TRANSFER ANY OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT OVER?
24 BECAUSE THIS IS -- MAYWOOD WAS A 3 PERCENT AT 50 CITY.

25



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1 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WE'RE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF SUBMITTING THE
2 SCHEDULE 2 FOR THE CITY OF MAYWOOD BECAUSE IT HAPPENED SO
3 QUICKLY. AND THAT IS ALL BE PART OF THE PHASE 2 STUDY.

4
5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHAT DOES THAN MEAN, PHASE 2?

6
7 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WELL, PHASE 2 IS JUST GOING TO BE MORE -- IT
8 WILL INCLUDE ANY OF THEIR EQUIPMENT THAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO
9 OFFSET SOME OF THE TRANSITION COSTS AND SO FORTH.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUT WE WOULD NEVER TAKE ANY OF THESE
12 EMPLOYEES WITH THOSE EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS THAT WE DON'T PROVIDE
13 TO OUR OWN DEPUTIES?

14

15 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** CORRECT. TO MY KNOWLEDGE, MA'AM, NO.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE SHOULD GET ASSURANCES OF
18 THAT. ALL RIGHT. YES, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DID I HEAR YOU SAY THAT YOU WERE GOING TO BE
21 COVERING SOME OF THE COSTS WITH OVERTIME WHEN YOU HAVE A
22 SHORTAGE OF DEPUTIES?

23



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1 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** BECAUSE RIGHT NOW WE HAVE NOT HIRED ANY
2 ADDITIONAL DEPUTIES. WE DON'T PLAN TO AT THIS POINT. JUST THE
3 MAYWOOD DEPUTIES.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE HIRING THE MAYWOOD DEPUTIES?

6

7 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WE ARE JUST GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS IF THEY
8 QUALIFY. ONLY IF THEY QUALIFY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO FOR A PERIOD OF TIME, THERE'S GOING TO BE
11 -- THERE ARE GOING TO BE NO MAYWOOD DEPUTIES. AND YOU DON'T
12 HAVE ENOUGH SHERIFFS, SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PUT THEM ON
13 OVERTIME?

14

15 **HENRY ROMERO:** YES. CURRENTLY WE ARE PATROLLING BOTH CITIES ON
16 OVERTIME, ALTHOUGH I HAVE PERMANENT STAFF THAT HAVE BEEN
17 ASSIGNED TO BOTH THOSE CITIES THAT WE ARE BACKFILLING WITH
18 SOME OVERTIME TO OBVIOUSLY INCREASE THE SERVICES.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MY QUESTION IS: ARE THE TWO CITIES PAYING
21 US FOR THE OVERTIME?

22

23 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YES, SIR. THAT'S INCLUDED IN THE COSTS OF THE
24 CONTRACTS THAT WE'VE ARRANGED FOR THEM THAT WILL BE INCLUDED



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1 IN THE PERSONNEL COSTS. UNTIL THOSE POSITIONS ARE FILLED AND
2 THERE'S NO MORE NEED TO HIRE OVERTIME BEHIND THEM.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE IN THERE RIGHT NOW, RIGHT?

5

6 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THEM RIGHT NOW?

9

10 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** WELL, PENDING THE BOARD'S APPROVAL, SIR.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND DOES THIS CONTRACT THAT'S BEFORE US,
13 DOES THIS CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US EXPLICITLY SAY THAT
14 OVERTIME COSTS, WHETHER WE PAY STRAIGHT TIME OR OVERTIME,
15 THEY'RE GOING TO PAY WHATEVER WE --

16

17 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT THERE WAS A RATE THAT CONTRACT
20 CITIES PAY, A CERTAIN RATE.

21

22 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** THERE IS A RATE PER EVERY DEPUTY SHERIFF'S
23 SERVICE UNIT THAT WE PUT IN THERE.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** CAR, DETECTIVE --



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2 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** THEY ALL PAY THAT SAME RATE. AND OVERTIME IS
3 INCLUDED IN THAT. WHAT WE HAVE HERE, THOUGH, THIS IMMEDIATE
4 VOID, SO TO SPEAK, WAS CREATED. AND CAPTAIN ROMERO WAS
5 STAFFING IT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I UNDERSTAND ALL THAT. I WANT TO MAKE
8 SURE HOW WE'RE GETTING PAID. SO THAT THE CONTRACT SAYS THAT IF
9 WE, EVEN IN THIS VOID PERIOD, HAVE TO DEPLOY PEOPLE WITH
10 OVERTIME, DOES THE RATE HAVE AN OVERTIME RATE FOR, SAY, A
11 DEPUTY SHERIFF?

12

13 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YES. THAT'S BUILT INTO THE RATE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN IT'S BUILT INTO THE RATE?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S AN OVERALL RATE.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU PAY \$10 AN HOUR OR 100 OR WHATEVER IT
20 IS AND THAT FACTORS IN THE OVERTIME? SO IF WE DON'T USE ANY
21 OVERTIME, IT COSTS US LESS? COSTS THEM LESS?

22

23 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** ONCE THE CONTRACT IS ESTABLISHED, IF THERE'S
24 WORKLOAD OVERTIME AND SO FORTH, THAT'S BUILT INTO THE COST. IN
25 THIS SITUATION, WHAT WE'VE HAD ESSENTIALLY IS A NUMBER OF NEW



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1 PENDING NEW DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS THAT ARE SIMPLY VACANT.
2 ONCE THEY START PAYING US ON THIS MONTHLY BASIS, THE COST OF
3 THE CONTRACT THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE PAYING US WILL MORE THAN
4 OFFSET THE OVERTIME THAT'S BEING EXPENDED TO FILL THIS ON A
5 SHORT-TERM BASIS.

6

7 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** MAYBE I CAN HELP EXPLAIN A LITTLE BIT.
8 OVERTIME IS TIME AND A HALF. WHEN WE PAY A REGULAR SALARY AND
9 HIRE SOMEBODY, YOU'VE GOT SALARIES 100 PERCENT, AND THEN
10 YOU'VE GOT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. SO THAT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS RIGHT
11 NOW IS ABOUT 50 PERCENT. SO COST-WISE IT'S ABOUT A WASH IF YOU
12 WORK SOMEBODY OVERTIME VERSUS HIRING A NEW BODY, YOU'RE VERY
13 CLOSE TO THE BREAKING EVEN THERE. AND THE WAY THE RATES ARE
14 BUILT, WE MORE THAN RECOVER OUR COSTS IN SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE
15 BENEFITS AND THE OVERTIME.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR THE SHERIFFS THAT YOU DEPLOY IN THE
18 CITIES.

19

20 **GLEN DRAGOVICH:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM
2 IS BEFORE US. BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT,
3 SO ORDERED. THANK YOU SO MUCH, GENTLEMEN.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON ITEM NO. 9?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 9.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
10 THOMAS AND MYSELF. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THE ARTS
11 COMMISSION ADMINISTERED PROGRAMS THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
12 C.E.O. TO TRANSFER \$731,000 FROM THE P.F.U. A ONE-TIME BASIS
13 TO RESTORE FUNDING FOR THE ARTS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, THE ARTS
14 ORGANIZATIONAL GRANTS, AND THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, SIR.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M OKAY WITH THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AND THE
21 INTERN PROGRAM. WHAT ARE WE RESTORING AS FAR AS ORGANIZATIONAL
22 GRANTS? I SORT OF HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. I THOUGHT WE
23 AGREED, AND THIS MONEY'S BEEN ALLOCATED ALREADY. ARE WE
24 BACKFILLING?

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LOOKS LIKE IT. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING. WE
2 SHOULD BACKFILL LIBRARIES BEFORE WE DO THIS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I MEAN THE ORGANIZATIONS, YOU KNOW,
5 OBVIOUSLY DIDN'T LIKE THE REDUCTION IN GRANTS. BUT WE GOT, YOU
6 KNOW, I SUPPORT THE FUNDING FOR THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AND
7 THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. BUT THE GRANTS, I THINK IF WE COULD
8 BIFURCATE AND PULL THAT OUT, AT LEAST GET A REPORT BACK.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE IT JUST APPEARS TO ME THAT WE'RE
13 BACKFILLING SOMETHING THAT'S ALREADY BEEN AGREED TO.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL RIGHT. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE IF
16 POSSIBLE THAT EMANCIPATED YOUTH BE GIVEN PREFERENCE IN THE
17 ARTS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** INTO WHAT?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THEY COULD HAVE SOME SORT OF PREFERENCE,
22 THE EMANCIPATED YOUTH, FOR THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M ALL IN FAVOR OF THAT, BUT I DOUBT YOU
25 WILL GET ANY SUPPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW, BUT I'M JUST, YOU KNOW, IF IT'S
3 POSSIBLE.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, ONLY IF IT'S POSSIBLE. I SEE. WHY
6 DON'T YOU MANDATE IT?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WE HAD THE HARD TIME SELLING THE 10,000 JOBS.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DOUBT THEY'LL TAKE EMANCIPATED YOUTH.
11 ALL RIGHT. SO WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS YOU'RE AMENDING IT TO AMEND
12 IT. YOU'RE BACKFILLING IT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE GRANTS ARE
13 GOING TO COME BACK WITH A REPORT? IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF WE COULD ADDRESS IT DURING OUR DISCUSSION
18 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, THAT WOULD BE THE BEST TIME.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, I REALLY THINK THIS IS SHAMEFUL.
21 I MEAN, WE ALL TRIED TO SUPPORT IT. HOLIDAY PROGRAMS ARE MORE
22 THAN BEAUTIFUL. BUT WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE LIBRARY CLOSURES, THE
23 FACT THAT WE'RE CUTTING BACK ON HOURS, AND WHAT'S THAT DOING
24 TO A LOT OF OUR CITIES -- [APPLAUSE.] IT IS REALLY A SHAME. I
25 MEAN, THERE ARE SO MANY AREAS WHERE, YOU KNOW, YOU'RE NOT



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1 GOING TO BE OPEN BUT MAYBE FOUR HOURS DURING THE DAY. AND I
2 THINK THAT IF WE LOOK AT ANYTHING, THAT WE SHOULD MAKE WHOLE,
3 IT SHOULD BE OUR LIBRARIES FIRST. [APPLAUSE.] SO, WE HAVE A
4 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY MARK
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT IT WAS TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO. HE JUST HE ASKED TO TAKE OUT. HE
10 ACCEPTED IT. TO TAKE OUT THE GRANTS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAVE A REPORT BACK.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AND HAVE A REPORT BACK AS TO HOW MUCH
15 MONEY THAT IS AND SO ON. THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T WE HAVE A REPORT BACK ON ALL OF
18 THEM?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, YOU CAN MAKE THAT MOTION. I WOULD
21 SECOND IT.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT WE
24 HAVE CONSENSUS, IT APPEARS, ON TWO OF THE THREE. AND THE MAKER
25 OF THE MOTION AND THE SECONDER OF THE MOTION ARE SATISFIED



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1 THAT A COUPLE OF THE THREE PIECES ARE POTENTIALLY MOVING
2 FORWARD. AND I DON'T THINK THE ARTS ORGANIZATIONAL GRANTS ARE
3 COMPLETELY DISMISSED. THE QUESTION IS WHETHER THEY CAN BE SENT
4 FOR REPORT BACK AND FURTHER REVIEW. I THINK THERE'S WISDOM IN
5 MOVING WITH THE TWO PIECES AND WITH THE HOPE THAT WE CAN GET
6 THE THIRD PIECE DONE AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. I WOULD SO MOVE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO MOVE AS A SUBSTITUTE
9 THAT WE REFER ALL THREE OF THEM AND HAVE IT COME BACK IN FINAL
10 CHANGES. A REPORT BACK IN SEPTEMBER.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROBLEM WITH THAT IS THOSE MUSICAL GROUPS
13 FOR THE HOLIDAY PROGRAM HAVE TO BE NOTIFIED NOW IF THEY'RE
14 GOING TO BE PERFORMING. YOU'RE ONLY LOOKING AT LESS THAN 20
15 WEEKS FOR THEM TO GET PRACTICING.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE WE CAN ASK THEM TO GIVE US A REPORT
18 BACK SOONER THAN THAT ON ALL THREE OF THEM.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO NOW IT HAS BEEN MOVED AND
21 SECONDED THAT WE GET A REPORT BACK. THAT WAS THE
22 RECOMMENDATION?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY. MADAM CHAIR, WHAT'S BEFORE US
25 AT THIS POINT?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO REFER ALL THREE BACK AND
3 REPORT BACK IN FOUR WEEKS.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT IS BEFORE US. IS THERE ANY
6 OBJECTION?

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. COULD YOU CALL THE ROLL ON THE
11 SUBSTITUTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SURE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MOTION CARRIES.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO THAT ITEM IS APPROVED. NEXT
11 ITEM, SUPERVISOR?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS PAST WEEK THERE WAS A STORY BY PAUL
14 PRINGLE IN THE TIMES RELATIVE TO THE FOREST SERVICE'S
15 INABILITY TO RESPOND TO THE FIRE THAT TOOK PLACE, THE STATION
16 FIRE ON AUGUST 26TH AND THEIR REFUSAL TO ALLOW FIRE-DROPPING
17 AIRCRAFT TO ATTACK THE FIRE AT NIGHT AND THE EARLY MORNING
18 HOURS. THAT FIRE, WHICH LOST TWO OF OUR BRAVE FIREFIGHTERS AND
19 DESTROYED MORE THAN 160,000 ACRES, CAPTAIN PERRY HALL, WHO IS
20 A VETERAN AIR ATTACK OFFICER FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
21 FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION, WHO WAS OVER THE BLAZE BEFORE IT
22 HAD STARTED AT 7 A.M. RADIOED THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE WITH THE
23 INTENTION OF BRINGING IN THE AIR SUPPORT, BUT THERE WAS NO
24 ANSWER. VITAL MINUTES PASSED AND WHEN HE WAS FINALLY ABLE TO
25 MAKE CONTACT, HE WAS ADVISED THAT THE LEAD PLANE WOULD NOT BE



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1 AVAILABLE UNTIL TWO HOURS LATER. AND AGAIN HE HAD ASKED FOR
2 PERMISSION TO GET STARTED AND WAS DENIED. HE WARNED THAT
3 WITHOUT WATER DROPS, THERE WAS A POTENTIAL OF A MAJOR, MAJOR
4 FIRE. AND AS WE KNOW, THOSE WORDS WERE SO WELL TRUE AS TO WHAT
5 HAPPENED. HIS ACCOUNT OBTAINED BY THE TIMES CHALLENGES THE
6 CONCLUSION OF THE FOREST SERVICE OFFICIAL REVIEW THAT AN
7 EARLIER AERIAL ASSAULT WOULD HAVE BEEN INEFFECTIVE BECAUSE
8 ROUGH TERRAIN WOULD HAVE PREVENTED GROUND CREWS FROM FINISHING
9 THE JOB. HALL MAKES NO MENTION OF TERRAIN PROBLEMS. AND IT WAS
10 HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE LANDSCAPE WAS AN
11 IMPENDING TO AERIAL DROPS. PLUS OUR OWN PEOPLE WHO WERE
12 INVOLVED WITH THE FIRE HAVE THOUGHT THAT WAS AN ABSURD
13 CONCLUSION TO BEGIN WITH. THE FAILURE OF THE FOREST SERVICE TO
14 GET THAT AIRCRAFT IS WHY THIS BOARD HAD A UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION
15 PASSED FOR THE FULL INVESTIGATION BY THE COUNTY FIRE WITH THE
16 RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE SENT TO THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND OUR
17 CALL FOR CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY WITH MAJOR POLICY CHANGES AND
18 ACCOUNTABILITY TO HOLD THOSE RESPONSIBLE. THIS LED TO THE
19 HEARING BY SENATOR DIANE FEINSTEIN. AND ONE WILL BE HELD BY
20 OUR CONGRESSMAN ADAM SCHIFF ON AUGUST 10TH RELATIVE TO THESE
21 POINTS. HOWEVER, DESPITE CHANGES IN BRUSH CLEARANCE RULES AND
22 SOME OFFICIALS RECENTLY SAYING THAT THE FOREST SERVICE WILL
23 CONSIDER AERIAL ATTACKS AT NIGHT, WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT
24 SIGNIFICANT REFORMS ARE ENACTED AND THAT THE FOREST SERVICE
25 HOLD THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STATION FIRE FAILURE TO BE HELD



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1 ACCOUNTABLE. I HAVE CONFIRMED THAT CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN WILL
2 ATTEND THE SCHIFF HEARINGS AND CONVEY HIS STRONG OPINIONS
3 ABOUT NECESSARY CHANGES TO PREVENT FUTURE DISASTERS ON AUGUST
4 10TH. BUT THERE WAS A VERY GOOD ARTICLE BY THE REPORTER, PAUL
5 PRINGLE, AND THE INFORMATION FROM CAPTAIN PERRY HALL, WHO WAS
6 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY
7 PROTECTION. AND THOSE ARE ALL THE POINTS I HAVE TO MAKE, MADAM
8 CHAIR. COULD I MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION ON ITEM 9 BUT TO FUND
9 ALL THREE ITEMS?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D SECOND THAT.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN. BUT IT WAS A
14 SUBSTITUTE.

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16 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK IT IS ONLY THE PREVAILING PARTY THAT IS
17 ALLOWED TO MOVE FOR THE RECONSIDERATION.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DON?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT? THEY WANT TO RECONSIDER WHAT? FUND ALL
22 THREE?

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24 **ANDREA ORDIN:** FUND ALL THREE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I MADE A VERY FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. DIDN'T WANT TO
2 DO IT, DON'T DO IT. AND THAT'S FINE. I'M NOT GOING TO
3 RECONSIDER. COME BACK IN FOUR WEEKS.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL ASK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WHEN HE
6 RETURNS THAT QUESTION. [LAUGHTER.] ALREADY GAVE YOU A GOOD
7 LAUGH FOR IT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKEY-DOKEY. I'M UP NEXT. AND I'M GOING TO
10 CALL UP ITEM 1-H. MR. SACHS, YOU HELD THAT ITEM? YOU HELD ITEM
11 11, 21, 29 AND 33. AND AGAIN JUST AS A CLARIFICATION, I DON'T
12 THINK WHEN WE MOVED ITEM 48-B, WE DIDN'T MOVE 48-C, WHICH IS -
13 - OH, WE MOVED C, BUT NOT B? OH, I THOUGHT WE DID B. SO WE
14 NEED TO MOVE 48-B. IT'S BEEN MOVED BY MYSELF. SECONDED BY
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S ANY OBJECTION, IF NO
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS, IF YOU WILL DO 1-
17 H, 11, 21 AND 29.

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
20 HELD 1-H BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO HOLD 2-H. BUT LAST WEEK I
21 ASKED ABOUT COST OVERRUNS. AND THIS ONE, THE CHANGE PER CHANGE
22 ORDERS. THIS ONE IS 10 PERCENT OF THE CONTRACTS. 2-H IS 20
23 PERCENT OF THE CONTRACTS. BECAUSE YOU HAD LAST WEEK I BELIEVE
24 5 ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA, EACH ONE OF THE CHANGE ORDERS WAS A
25 DIFFERENT PERCENTAGE OF THE CONTRACT. AND I JUST KIND OF ASKED



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1 HOW THAT WAS -- HOW THOSE CHANGE ORDER NUMBERS WERE ARRIVED
2 AT, HOW THE PERCENTAGE WAS ARRIVED AT. AND OF COURSE I GOT A
3 GREAT ANSWER ON THAT. THAT WOULD BE 1-H. THE NEXT ONE I HELD -
4 -

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 11, 21, 29.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, I KNOW WHY I HELD 11, THIS STATES HERE THAT
9 THE GRANT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AFTER THE CITY'S ADMINISTRATIVE
10 COSTS FOR \$251,000, ALMOST \$252,000. WHAT ABOUT THE COUNTY'S
11 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS? WHERE DOES THAT FIGURE INTO THIS GRANT?
12 AND HOW WAS THAT WORKED OUT? BECAUSE AS WE HEARD EARLIER, THE
13 COUNTY ALSO INCLUDES INCORPORATED CITIES, HOW EXACTLY DOES
14 THAT WORK OUT? I MEAN THE CITIES ARE GOING TO GET \$251,000.
15 I'M JUST WONDERING WHAT THE COUNTY COSTS WOULD BE. ITEM, I'M
16 SORRY, MA'AM? 21? OH.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 21, 29 AND 33.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 21 WORKS OUT. THAT PROGRAM OF 62,000 TO PROVIDE
21 FOOD AND SHELTER RESOURCES TO CLIENTS RECEIVING MENTAL HEALTH
22 SERVICES IN EACH OF THE COUNTY'S EIGHT SERVICE AREAS. I GUESS
23 THOSE ARE THE SPAS. BUT THAT WORKS OUT TO \$7,750 PER SPA. JUST
24 WHAT EXACTLY CAN YOU BUY WITH \$7,750 TODAY IN GOVERNMENT
25 SERVICES? 21? 29? 29? OH. 29 IS JUST A QUESTION. HERE YOU'RE



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1 GOING TO SPEND \$15 MILLION ON THE M.L.K. PROJECT, WHICH I'M
2 ALL FOR, BUT YOU HAVEN'T PUT A SHOVEL IN THE GROUND YET AND
3 IT'S ALREADY COST \$15 MILLION. YOU HAVE NO PLANS -- I DON'T
4 BELIEVE THERE ARE ANY PLANS YET THAT WE'VE SEEN ON THIS
5 PROJECT, JUST THE IDEA AND THE HOPE. 33 I HELD, I BELIEVE
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MENTIONED A STORY A COUPLE WEEKS AGO.
7 THERE WAS ALSO A STORY IN THE TIMES REGARDING A TRAIL IN
8 ANGELES CREST FOREST THAT HAD BEEN USED TO GET TO SOME OFF-
9 THE-TRAIL WATERFALLS AND THAT THE OWNER NOW WANTS TO BAN
10 PUBLIC ACCESS TO THOSE WATERFALLS. SO I WAS WONDERING IF THERE
11 WOULD BE ANY KIND OF MOVEMENT, BECAUSE IT SAID HERE YOU'RE
12 USING THE FACT THAT IT'S FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS IMMEDIATELY
13 PRECEDING THE PROPOSED VACATION. AND I BELIEVE THE STORY SAID
14 THAT THE EASEMENT TO THOSE WATER FALLS HAD BEEN INCLUDED FOR
15 MORE THAN FIVE YEARS. I WAS WONDERING WHAT THE LEGAL SITUATION
16 WOULD BE ON THAT.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU MR. SACHS.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON ITEM 29, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A MEMO THAT
23 WAS SENT TO YOUR BOARD ON JULY 1ST THAT SPEAKS TO THE TWO
24 ENTITIES WHO WILL RECEIVE THESE CONTRACTS. THE DEPARTMENT OF
25 PUBLIC WORKS HAS COMPLETED NEGOTIATIONS WITH M.L.K. PARTNERS



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1 FOR THE PROJECT CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR
2 APPROXIMATELY -- FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10 MILLION. AND
3 THEN WITH M.L.K. PROJECT CONTROLS FOR THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
4 \$5 MILLION. I JUST WANT THE RECORD TO BE VERY CLEAN.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. VERY GOOD. THAT'S NOTED. SO I'M
7 MOVING 1-H, 11, 21, 29 AS NOTED AND ITEM 33. SECONDED BY
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE
9 ITEMS. ALL RIGHT. I HAVE A READ-IN MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO
10 HAVE PASSED OUT. I THINK MY STAFF WILL PASS IT OUT. EARLIER
11 THIS MONTH, H.D.R. ARCHITECTURE RELEASED A REPORT REGARDING
12 OVERCROWDING AND EXCESSIVE WAIT TIMES AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.
13 MEDICAL CENTER, HARBOR, AND OLIVE VIEW TO ILLUSTRATE WHERE WE
14 ARE STRUGGLING TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INPATIENT AND EMERGENCY
15 CARE TO OUR PATIENTS. THE REPORT CONFIRMED WHAT WE'VE BEEN BY
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES EVERY OTHER WEEK SINCE THE
17 HOSPITAL OPENED. L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. HAS A DEFICIT OF AVAILABLE
18 INPATIENT BEDS. THE REPORT CONCLUDES THAT L.A.C.+U.S.C. BED
19 CAPACITY A SIZE TOO SMALL RELATIVE TO ITS INPATIENT BED
20 DEMAND, WHICH IS CONSEQUENTLY AFFECTING THE CONDITIONS IN ITS
21 E.R. L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. IS IN NEED OF ACCESS TO ADDITIONAL
22 MED-SURG BEDS. THE REPORT GOES ON TO STATE THAT THE ONLY OTHER
23 COUNTY HOSPITAL WITH A DEFICIT OF MED-SURG BEDS IS RANCHO, AND
24 THAT IS ONLY TO HANDLE THE CURRENT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. TRANSFER
25 POLICY. THE REPORT APPROXIMATES THAT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. IS



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1 APPROXIMATELY 106 MED-SURG BEDS SHORT. TOUGH TO SAY. MANY
2 YEARS AGO, A DECISION WAS MADE THAT BETTER TECHNOLOGY AND MORE
3 EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT COULD COMPENSATE FOR THE REDUCTION IN
4 SIZE. THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT THIS HAS HELPED SIGNIFICANTLY.
5 WE CERTAINLY DID NOT ANTICIPATE THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K. AND SO
6 MANY OTHER PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY ROOMS. IN ADDITION,
7 HEALTHCARE REFORM COULD BE A GAME CHANGER IF IT SUCCEEDS. WE
8 WILL HOPEFULLY SEE A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN THE NEED FOR
9 BEDS AS MORE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY CARE.
10 EVEN H.D.R. ARCHITECTS RECOMMENDS THAT WE TAKE A CAREFUL LOOK
11 AT THE EFFECTS OF HEALTHCARE REFORM BEFORE DECIDING ON THE
12 BEST SOLUTION TO RESOLVE BED CAPACITY ISSUES AT L.A. COUNTY
13 U.S.C., AS WELL AS OUR OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS. WE ARE ALL
14 OPTIMISTIC THAT HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL SUCCEED AND REDUCE
15 EMERGENCY ROOM USAGE AND HOSPITALIZATIONS. BUT WE MUST ALSO BE
16 REALISTIC THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE THE SAFETY NET PROVIDER FOR
17 THOSE WHO CANNOT OR WILL NOT SEEK CARE ELSEWHERE. LAST MONTH,
18 L.A. COUNTY'S U.S.C.'S EMERGENCY ROOM WAS OVERCROWDED 80
19 PERCENT OF THE TIME WITH CONDITIONS CONSIDERED SEVERE OR
20 DANGEROUS FOR HALF OF THE MONTH. THIS HAS BEEN A SITUATION
21 SINCE THE HOSPITAL OPENED. OLIVE VIEW AND HARBOR ALSO
22 EXPERIENCED OVERCROWDING IN THEIR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS.
23 HOPEFULLY HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL BE A SOLUTION TO THESE
24 PROBLEMS, BUT WE SHOULD BE PREPARED IN CASE IT IS NOT. I
25 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC



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1 WORKS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES,
2 DEVELOP A DETAILED CONTINGENCY PLAN TO ADD 150 MED-SURG BEDS
3 TO THE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. CAMPUS TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE
4 EVENT THAT HEALTHCARE REFORM FAILS TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE
5 NEED FOR INPATIENT BEDS AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. THIS MUST
6 INCLUDE A CONSTRUCTION PLAN WITH COST ESTIMATES AND FUNDING
7 SOURCES IDENTIFIED, A TIMELINE FOR PLAN DESIGN, ENGINEERING
8 AND CONSTRUCTION, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POSSIBLE LOCATIONS AND
9 ANALYSIS OF LICENSING, STAFFING AND OTHER RELATED REQUIREMENTS
10 TO BE REPORTED BACK TO THE BOARD IN 90 DAYS. I FURTHER MOVE
11 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE C.E.O. DEVELOP
12 PROJECTIONS FOR HOW MANY INDIGENT D.H.S. PATIENTS ARE LIKELY
13 TO OBTAIN INSURANCE PER YEAR BETWEEN NOW AND 2014 AND THE
14 EFFECT THIS WILL LIKELY HAVE ON THE DEMAND FOR INPATIENT BEDS
15 AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., OLIVE VIEW, RANCHO AND M.L.K. THIS IS
16 VITAL IN ORDER FOR THE COUNTY TO MEASURE WHETHER DEMAND FOR
17 INPATIENT BEDS IS DECREASING AS HEALTHCARE REFORM IS
18 IMPLEMENTED. THE ANALYSIS SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY
19 POTENTIAL INCREASES IN SCHEDULED ADMISSIONS AS A RESULT OF
20 CARE MANAGEMENT FOR NEWLY INSURED. THESE PROJECTIONS MUST BE
21 INCLUDED IN THE REPORT PROVIDED TO THE BOARD WITHIN 90 DAYS.
22 SO I HAVE THAT MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE TWO
23 ITEMS REMAINING, ITEM NO. 23? MR. KNABE, YOU HELD THIS?
24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I HELD ITEM 23. I JUST HAD THE A COUPLE
2 QUESTIONS FOR THE DIRECTOR IF HE'S HERE. IS SANTOS HERE?
3 SANTOS.

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5 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE ATTEMPTING TO DO WITH
8 THIS PARTICULAR ITEM, BUT I REALLY HAVE CONCERN ABOUT OUR PACE
9 OF REPAIR OF THE DOCKS. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THE COASTAL
10 COMMISSION SAYS THEY WANT EVERYTHING ALL AT ONCE OR WHATEVER
11 IT MAY BE. BUT IT'S PRESENTING A PROBLEM OUT THERE. AND I
12 DON'T KNOW HOW WE RE-VISIT THE ISSUE, THAT REGARDLESS IF THEY
13 WANT TO PUT ALL THE DEVELOPMENT TOGETHER, THAT'S ONE THING.
14 BUT AS IT RELATES TO THE SAFETY ISSUES, AS IT RELATES TO THE
15 DOCKS, I THINK WE NEED TO BRING TO THEIR ATTENTION THAT WE
16 NEED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD ON THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. I
17 MEAN IT'S A MATTER OF PUBLIC SAFETY. IT'S NOT -- I MEAN, I
18 UNDERSTAND HOW THEY LOOK AT IT IN THE BIGGER SCHEME OF THINGS
19 AT 30,000 FEET, BUT WE GOT PEOPLE WALKING THREE FEET IN VERY
20 DANGEROUS SITUATIONS. AND THIS IS JUST ANOTHER DELAY. AND AS I
21 UNDERSTAND, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THIS REQUEST WASN'T EVEN
22 FROM ESSEX. THE REQUEST CAME FROM THE DEPARTMENT BASED ON A
23 REQUEST FROM THE COASTAL COMMISSION, AM I RIGHT?

24



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1 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** THAT IS CORRECT. WE'VE WORKED WITH THE
2 COASTAL STAFF ON THE BEST STRATEGY FOR MOVING FORWARD THE DOCK
3 REPLACEMENTS. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED A FEW PROJECTS THAT WOULD BE
4 MOVING FORWARD THE MASTER PERMIT FOR ALL THE WATER SIDE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WATER SIDE, IT INCLUDES THE APARTMENT AND
7 EVERYTHING ELSE. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT PIECE, BRINGING IT ALL
8 TOGETHER. BUT WE CERTAINLY SHOULD MAKE A SPECIAL REQUEST TO
9 THEM THAT THE DOCKS ARE A TOTALLY SEPARATE ISSUE, TOTALLY
10 UNRELATED TO WHAT HAPPENS ON THE LAND.

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12 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** WE'VE ACTUALLY MADE THAT PARTICULAR ARGUMENT.
13 WHAT WE'VE DONE IS WE'VE TAKEN ALL OF THE DOCKS THAT ARE
14 REQUIRING REPLACEMENT AND RECONFIGURATION, MY STAFF HAS
15 PREPARED AN APPLICATION THAT WILL BE MOVING FORWARD MY HOPE IS
16 THE END OF THE MONTH, FIRST PART OF AUGUST, SO THAT WE CAN
17 PROCESS THEM ALL AT ONE TIME. AT THAT POINT WE SHOULD BE ABLE
18 TO GET SOME SATISFACTION IN CHANGING THE DOCKS AND REPLACING
19 THE DOCKS QUICKLY AND ADDRESSING THE SAFETY CONCERNS THAT
20 TROUBLE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** IF IN FACT WE APPROVE THIS MOTION TODAY, AND IF IN
23 FACT WE WERE ABLE TO TALK TO THE COASTAL COMMISSION TO CHANGE
24 THEIR OPINION AS IT RELATES TO THE DOCKS, THAT WOULD NOT



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1 PROHIBIT US, OR BY DOING THIS TODAY, WOULD THIS ALLOW ESSEX TO
2 HIDE BEHIND THE 30-MONTH EXTENSION?

3

4 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** NO. ACTUALLY I BELIEVE BY APPROVING THIS
5 PARTICULAR STRATEGY, IT WILL REQUIRE ESSEX TO COMPLETE THE
6 CONSTRUCTION SOONER RATHER THAN LATER.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, EVERYTHING IS RELATIVE. SOONER IS A LOT
9 LATER THAN LATER.

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11 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** THAT'S TRUE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WELL, YOU AND I NEED TO DISCUSS
14 THIS. WE NEED TO TALK TO COASTAL COMMISSION ON THIS BECAUSE
15 IT'S PRETTY DANGEROUS OUT THERE. ANYWAY, WITH THAT MADAM
16 CHAIR, I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED AND SECONDED. ANY
19 OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON ITEM NO. 23. ITEM 48,
20 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE'S DOING A PRESS CONFERENCE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. I DO NOT HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS,
2 WHY DON'T I ASK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO DO YOUR
3 ADJOURNMENTS, IF ANY?

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, COLLEAGUES, MAY I ADJOURN IN
6 MEMORY OF MARY SASAKI, BORN ON FEBRUARY 11, 1923 IN FAIRFAX,
7 WASHINGTON. PASSED ON JUNE 6, 2010, AT THE AGE OF 87. SHE WAS
8 PLACED IN AN INTERNMENT CAMP WITH HER FATHER AT THE START OF
9 WORLD WAR II. AND THEY WERE RELEASED IN LOS ANGELES AT THE
10 CONCLUSION OF THE WAR. THEY LIVED IN A BUDDHIST CHURCH IN
11 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES UNTIL THEY COULD AFFORD TO PURCHASE A
12 HOME. MISS SASAKI'S FIRST JOB WAS AS A HOUSEKEEPER DURING
13 WHICH TIME SHE ATTENDED NIGHT SCHOOL AND STUDIED SHORTHAND TO
14 BECOME A SECRETARY. AFTER HER CHILDREN WERE BORN AND OF SCHOOL
15 AGE, SHE BEGAN TO WORK AS A NOON AID AT THEIR ELEMENTARY
16 SCHOOL AND WAS ALSO A BOOKKEEPER. SHE ENJOYED TRAVELING AND
17 TOOK CRUISES TO THE PANAMA CANAL, TO ALASKA, GREECE, THE
18 ORIENT AND THE CARIBBEAN. SHE ALSO TOOK LINE DANCING CLASSES
19 AND STUDIED SUMI PAINTING, KNITTING AND ENJOYED WATER
20 EXERCISE. SHE LOVED JULIO IGLESIAS' MUSIC, AS WELL. AFTER SHE
21 ENDURED BACK SURGERY, SHE STAYED IN A NEARBY NURSING HOME DUE
22 TO HER LIMITED MOBILITY. SHE WAS CHOSEN TO REPRESENT THE
23 RESIDENTS AT THE FACILITY AT STAFF MEETINGS BECAUSE OF HER
24 BILINGUAL ABILITIES AND HER DESIRE TO HELP OTHERS. SHE ENJOYED
25 PLAYING A VARIETY OF GAMES, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH WOULD BE



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1 BINGO, ROULETTE AND HANAFUDA CARD GAMES. AND SHE WILL BE
2 REMEMBERED FOR HER STRENGTH, CHARACTER, HER COURAGE, AND HER
3 DETERMINATION AND HER SENSE OF HUMOR AND KINDNESS OF HEART.
4 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER CHILDREN, DONNA, RONALD;
5 HER GRANDCHILDREN, NICOLE, SHAWN, BRANDON AND ALLISON. MADAM
6 CHAIR, THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
9 ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'D
12 LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A VERY, VERY DEAR FRIEND, MR.
13 HENRY ESTRADA, PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 24. HE WILL BE MISSED BY
14 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER,
15 DOROTHY AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN, DEBBY AND JEFF. ALSO THAT WE
16 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. ROBERT WALTER CLEVELAND, BETTER KNOWN
17 AS DR. BOB, AS HE'S CALLED, A PEDIATRIC PRACTITIONER IN LONG
18 BEACH FOR OVER 35 YEARS. HE WAS ONE OF THE LAST INDEPENDENT
19 PRACTITIONERS. HE WAS DEVOTED TO HIS PATIENTS, OFTEN SPENDING
20 EXTRA TIME WITH THEM DURING OFFICE HOURS AND VISITING HIS
21 BABIES IN ONE OF THE THREE HOSPITALS IN LONG BEACH. HE SERVED
22 AS PRESIDENT OF THE LONG BEACH PEDIATRIC SOCIETY AND WAS A
23 LONG-STANDING MEMBER OF THE EAST LONG BEACH LION'S CLUB. HE'S
24 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 57 YEARS, KATHLEEN, FOUR CHILDREN AND
25 NINE GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. CARL



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1 RICHARDSON, WHO WAS THE FOUNDER OF CARE AMBULANCE SERVICE, A
2 BIG CONTRACTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO PASSED AWAY
3 ON JUNE 27. HE WAS 92 YEARS OLD. HE STARTED THE COMPANY AT 51
4 AND FROM HIS GARDEN GROVE HOME. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES
5 MARINES AS A PARATROOPER. HE ENJOYED HIS FAMILY, CARD GAMES AT
6 THE ELKS LODGE AND TELLING STORIES OF HIS LIFETIME EXPERIENCE.
7 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR CHILDREN, CAROLYN, ED, DAN, RICK,
8 EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, SIBLINGS,
9 GLADYS, TILLY AND JOHN PAUL AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS.
10 ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. ARTHUR MCGOWAN WHEN, 37-YEAR
11 RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 69.
12 HE WAS A GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.
13 HE SERVED IN THE ARMY AS A DOCTOR. HE BEGAN HIS MEDICAL
14 PRACTICE IN CALIFORNIA AFTERWARDS. HE WAS AFFILIATED WITH LOS
15 ALAMITOS HOSPITAL, THE LAKEWOOD REGIONAL AND ENDED HIS CAREER
16 AS CHIEF OF STATE STAFF AT LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY IN SAN
17 PEDRO. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN MANY PROFESSIONAL GROUPS AND WAS
18 HONORED WITH THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FROM THE
19 CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
20 WIFE OF 49 YEARS, BONNIE; CHILDREN, JILL AND DAVID; AND FOUR
21 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. PERVIS
22 STORY, WHO PASSED AWAY JUNE 4 AT THE AGE OF 92. HE WAS A
23 VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II AND THE KOREAN WAR SERVING MORE THAN
24 20 ACTIVE DUTY YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. AFTER
25 RETIREMENT, HE ATTENDED COMPTON COLLEGE AND THE REED THEOLOGY



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1 COLLEGE TO BECOME A MINISTER. AT 75 HE BECAME PASTOR OF HIS
2 FIRST CHURCH, ST. VESTA CHRISTIAN METHODIST CHURCH IN LONG
3 BEACH. HE LOVED PEOPLE AND SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY. HE
4 IS SURVIVED, REVEREND STORY IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 67
5 YEARS, PEARLIE; FOUR CHILDREN, MORRIS, NINA, DANNY, WILTON;
6 ONE GRANDSON; ONE GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER, ONE GREAT GREAT
7 GRANDDAUGHTER; AND TWO SIBLINGS, JOHNNIE AND WILLIE. ALSO
8 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. CHARLES WOLFARTH OF LA HABRA HEIGHTS.
9 HE WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF THAT CITY OUT THERE.
10 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF THE CITY
11 SINCE '59 AND OWNED AND OPERATED A LANDSCAPING COMPANY FOR
12 ALMOST 50 YEARS. IN 1978 HE WAS ELECTED TO THE INAUGURAL CITY
13 COUNCIL AND SERVED FOR 10 YEARS. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN
14 INCORPORATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RUTH; SISTER,
15 ELEANOR; THREE CHILDREN, CINDY, RICHARD, AND ROSS; SIX
16 GRANDCHILDREN. AND FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
17 SAMANTHA ZARENDINI, A 19 MONTH OLD DAUGHTER OF DEPUTY BEN
18 ZARENDINI FROM EAST LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S STATION WHO PASSED
19 AWAY TRAGICALLY ON JUNE 20. DEPUTY ZARENDINI AND HIS FAMILY
20 ARE RESIDENTS OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS. AND I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR
21 MOLINA WANTS TO JOIN WITH ME, AS WELL.

22
23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S CORRECT.



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SURVIVED BY FATHER BEN; MOTHER, PATRICIA; AND
2 SISTER, DANA.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
5 ADJOURNMENTS.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A COUPLE OF ADJOURNING
8 MOTIONS. FIRST OF ALL IT'S WITH GREAT SADNESS THAT I HAVE TO
9 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF STEPHEN KANNER. STEVE WAS A PROMINENT
10 WEST SIDE ARCHITECT WHO PASSED AWAY OF CANCER AT THE AGE OF
11 54. HE WAS A THIRD GENERATION ARCHITECT AND LEADER OF THE
12 FAMILY FIRM FOUNDED BY HIS GRANDFATHER, HERMAN, AND CONTINUED
13 BY HIS FATHER, CHARLES. ALL OF THEM ARE LONGTIME PILLARS OF
14 THE WESTWOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY. THE FIRM HAD RELOCATED TO
15 SANTA MONICA IN 2005, BUT THEIR INFLUENCE REMAINS AND IS
16 EVERYWHERE TO BE SEEN, ESPECIALLY IN THE WESTWOOD VILLAGE
17 AREA. THE CITY COUNCIL, MYSELF IN PARTICULAR, APPOINTED STEVE
18 AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE WESTWOOD COMMUNITY DESIGN REVIEW
19 BOARD, SETTING CONSISTENTLY HIGH ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS FOR
20 THE AREA THAT RETAINED ITS DISTINCTIVE MEDITERRANEAN CHARACTER
21 AND SPANISH COLONIAL REVIVAL STYLE. MORE THAN A DOZEN PROJECTS
22 IN THE VILLAGE BEAR HIS STAMP, INCLUDING THE RENOVATED 1932 EL
23 PASEO BUILDING ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BROXTON AND WEYBURN
24 AVENUES. IN THE 1980S, THE LANDMARK 1929 HOLMBY BUILDING AND
25 CLOCK TOWER ON WESTWOOD BOULEVARD. AND THE ORIGINAL 1932



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1 BULLOCK'S WESTWOOD BUILDING NOW THE HOME OF U.C.L.A. EXTENSION
2 AND BEBE. THE ORIGINAL 1931 DESMOND'S WESTWOOD, NOW HOME TO
3 THE C.V.S. PHARMACY, WAS ANOTHER ONE OF THEIR PROJECTS. THE
4 REMODEL OF THE FORMER 1936 CHARTHOUSE RESTAURANT BUILDING
5 BECAME THE WESTWOOD BREWING COMPANY. AND MANY OTHERS. HE AND
6 HIS FATHER, STEVE, AND HIS FATHER, CHARLES, WERE INDUCTED AS
7 FELLOWS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS. BOTH SERVED
8 AS PRESIDENT OF THE A.I.A., SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER. HE IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CYNTHIA; TWO DAUGHTERS, CAROLINE AND
10 CHARLOTTE; A SISTER, CATHERINE; HIS MOTHER, JUDITH; OTHER
11 FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. AND WHILE I
12 FOCUSED ON THE WESTWOOD STUFF, STEVE WAS A GREAT ARCHITECT
13 THROUGHOUT THE REGION AND HAD SOME REALLY LANDMARK PROJECTS.
14 AND IT'S A TRAGEDY. HIS FATHER DIED OF CANCER AT A RELATIVELY
15 YOUNG AGE AND NOW STEVE. IT'S MORE THAN THAT FAMILY SHOULD
16 HAVE BEEN ASKED TO BEAR AND IT'S A REAL LOSS TO OUR COMMUNITY.
17 SECONDLY, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DORIS
18 JACOBS, A LONGTIME ACTIVIST IN THE THE SYLMAR COMMUNITY WHO
19 PASSED AWAY FOLLOWING A LENGTHY BATTLE WITH CANCER. ORIGINALLY
20 FROM WEST VIRGINIA, SHE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
21 SPECIAL SERVICE UNIT BEFORE MOVING TO CALIFORNIA. WHILE
22 WORKING AT ROCKETDYNE, SHE MET HER FUTURE HUSBAND, FRANK.
23 ACCOMPLISHED SINGER, SHE PRODUCED THREE ALBUMS AND SANG IN
24 NUMEROUS VENUES THROUGHOUT THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TO
25 SUPPLEMENT THE FAMILY'S INCOME. IN RECENT YEARS SHE WAS DEEPLY



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1 INVOLVED WITH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SYLMAR COMMUNITY,
2 WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE SYLMAR GRAFFITI BUSTERS, THE SYLMAR
3 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE SUN VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND
4 HELPED FORM THE SYLMAR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. THROUGH HER
5 INVOLVEMENT AND WORK IN THE COMMUNITY, SHE EARNED THE RESPECT
6 OF MANY OF HER COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS AND WILL BE SORELY
7 MISSED. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 43 YEARS, FRANK
8 JACOBS, AND A SON PREDECEASED HER. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING
9 MOTIONS, MADAM CHAIR.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON THOSE
12 ADJOURNMENTS.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I HAD HELD SUPERVISOR KNABE'S
15 AND MY MOTION 48-A, THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE ONE SPEAKER?

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES. AND I ALSO ASKED DR. FIELDING IF HE
20 WOULD WANT TO SAY ANYTHING IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ISSUE.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DR. FIELDING?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE COLISEUM
25 ISSUE. IT ACTUALLY WAS SPURNED BY WHAT HAPPENED THERE. BUT AN



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1 ATTEMPT TO TAKE A BROADER LOOK AT THIS ISSUE IN THE COUNTY.

2 SO, DR. FIELDING, IF YOU'D LIKE TO JUST SAY YOUR PIECE HERE.

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR

5 YAROSLAVSKY. THIS ISSUE OF ECSTASY USE IS BECOMING AN

6 INCREASING PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM. THE DRUG ECSTASY IS REALLY

7 TWO DRUGS, IT'S METHAMPHETAMINE WHICH EVERYBODY KNOWS OR

8 SHOULD KNOW IS PRETTY BAD, PLUS A PSYCHOACTIVE DRUG. AND IT

9 LEADS TO A LOT OF CHANGES IN HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY, INCREASED BLOOD

10 PRESSURE, INCREASED HEART RATE, INCREASED BODY TEMPERATURE.

11 ONE OF THE THINGS YOU SEE IS INCREASED TOOTH GRINDING.

12 OFTENTIMES YOU SEE THESE KIDS THAT TAKE IT WITH A PACIFIER OR

13 SOMETHING BECAUSE THEY'RE CLENCHING THEIR JAW MUSCLES SO MUCH.

14 IT INCREASES ALSO SWEATING. AND THE EFFECT IS TO BASICALLY

15 ENHANCE MOOD AND ENERGY AND MAKE THE SENSES EVEN MORE

16 SENSITIVE. BUT IT ALSO CREATES ANXIETY, AGITATION. IT CAN LEAD

17 TO PANIC, DISTORT SENSES, AND LEAD TO DEPRESSION. AND WHEN

18 TAKEN IN THE KIND OF DOSES THAT OFTENTIMES IT IS, WHICH IS

19 FREQUENTLY BEFORE THESE START, THESE ELECTRONIC MUSIC

20 FESTIVALS, OR RAVES ARE CALLED, IT REALLY CAN BE A VERY

21 SERIOUS PROBLEM. IT CAN LEAD TO A BUNCH OF WARNING SIGNS. WHAT

22 ARE THOSE? WELL, THEY'RE FEELING HOT OR FEVERISH, WIDELY

23 DILATED PUPILS, CONFUSION, DIFFICULTY TALKING, HEADACHES AND

24 VOMITING, COLLAPSING, SEIZURE, TRAUMA, LOSS OF BODY CONTROL.

25 AND WE'RE VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE THERE IS -- THE MOST RECENT



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1 SURVEY SUGGESTS THAT MORE YOUTH THINK THAT THIS DRUG HAS NOT
2 REALLY SERIOUS EFFECTS. THEY'RE KIND OF FEELING WELL THIS IS
3 NOT REALLY A BIG DEAL, DESPITE THE FACT, AS YOU POINT OUT,
4 THAT AT THE COLISEUM, THERE WERE SOMETHING LIKE 150
5 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE TRANSPORTED TO EMERGENCY ROOMS BECAUSE OF
6 OVERDOSE. WHILE THE USE OF ECSTASY WENT DOWN AFTER ABOUT --
7 FROM ABOUT 2000, 2003 OR 2004, THERE'S GOOD EVIDENCE IT'S
8 INCREASED RECENTLY. THE NUMBER THAT WE HAVE GOING INTO OUR
9 DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAMS THAT WE CONTRACT WITH HAS GONE UP VERY
10 SUBSTANTIALLY EVEN THOUGH THE NUMBER IS STILL RELATIVELY
11 SMALL. IT IS INCREASINGLY CONSEQUENTIAL. AND AS YOU POINT OUT,
12 THIS IS A MUCH BROADER ISSUE THAN THE COLISEUM. THERE ARE A
13 LOT OF THESE PRIVATE PARTIES, THESE ELECTRONIC MUSIC RAVES. SO
14 I THINK THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES THAT YOU'VE RAISED IN YOUR
15 MOTION. SOME OF THE THINGS I THINK WE SHOULD LOOK AT ARE THE
16 ISSUE OF REPLENISHMENT OF LIQUIDS. AND SOMETIMES THEY'RE NOT
17 REPLENISHING ENOUGH LIQUIDS, OTHER TIMES TOO MUCH, AND THAT
18 CAN CAUSE A PROBLEM WITH THE REDUCED SODIUM IN THE BLOOD.
19 SOMETIMES THEY GET TOO WARM AND THEY NEED TO TAKE DANCE
20 BREAKS, PROBABLY MUSIC PROBABLY SHOULD STOP FOR A WHILE.
21 OFTENTIMES THEY'RE MIXING ALCOHOL WITH THIS, AND THAT'S A
22 VERY, VERY SERIOUS COMBINATION. MANY TIMES THEY'RE GETTING
23 DRINKS AND THEY LOSE SIGHT OF THEM, SOMEBODY PUTS SOMETHING IN
24 THEM AND THEY HAVEN'T SEEN THEM. SO ONE THING THAT'S REALLY
25 IMPORTANT IS NOT TO ACCEPT DRINKS FROM STRANGERS. AND IF YOU



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1 BUY SOMETHING, MAKE SURE THAT YOU'RE KEEPING YOUR EYE ON IT.
2 AND WATER ALONE IS NOT REALLY THE BEST WAY. I WOULD SAY SPORTS
3 DRINKS AND WATER PROBABLY IN ROUGHLY EQUAL MEASURE. AND THEN
4 NEVER ATTEND ALONE. HAVE A BUDDY. ALMOST LIKE SWIMMING. SO
5 SOMEBODY IS THERE TO WATCH OVER YOU. AND LOOK FOR THE WARNING
6 SIGNS. WE NEED TO EDUCATE PEOPLE, AS YOU SUGGESTED, OF THE
7 WARNING SIGNS OF OVERDOSE AND NEED TO MAKE SURE THERE IS
8 SUFFICIENT MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO, A, IDENTIFY THIS AND TO GET
9 THERE QUICKLY WHEN THEY'RE NOTIFIED THAT SOMEBODY HAS A
10 SERIOUS PROBLEM. AND I THINK ALL THESE NEED TO BE LOOKED AT
11 VERY CAREFULLY. AND THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC; FOR EXAMPLE,
12 I DON'T KNOW WHY A PARENT WOULD LET THEIR CHILD, UNDERAGE
13 CHILD GO TO ONE OF THESE WHEN IT'S GOING TO BE ALL NIGHT AND
14 ELECTRONIC MUSIC. WELL YOU KNOW THE CHANCES ARE, THEY ARE
15 GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN DRUG USE. SO EDUCATION THROUGH THE
16 SCHOOLS, EDUCATION OF THE FAMILIES, EDUCATION OF THE
17 INDIVIDUALS THERE SO THAT THEY DON'T WIND UP A STATISTIC. ALL
18 ARE CRITICAL.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I THINK
21 EDUCATION IS GOING TO BE THE KEY BENEFIT OF WHAT YOU DO WITH
22 THIS TASKFORCE. I THINK INFORMING PEOPLE. FIRST OF ALL, IT'S
23 AMAZING HOW MANY YOUNG PEOPLE KNOW WHERE TO GET THEIR HANDS ON
24 THIS STUFF. AND IT'S JUST AS AMAZING HOW FEW ADULTS KNOW
25 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THEIR OWN HOUSEHOLDS. OR HAVE -- IF THEY DO



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1 KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, THEY DON'T HAVE A FULL APPRECIATION OF
2 WHAT THE RISKS ARE AND NEITHER DO THE YOUNG PEOPLE. THERE IS
3 NO WAY A 15 OR 16-YEAR-OLD CAN TRULY APPRECIATE WHAT THE RISKS
4 ARE. MAYBE EVEN IF WE GET IN THEIR FACE AND EDUCATE THEM AS
5 BEST AS WE CAN, THEY'RE STILL YOUTH. AND THAT'S ONE OF THE
6 PROBLEMS WITH YOUTH. BUT I THINK IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE INFORM
7 THE PARENTS, THE ADULT COMMUNITY, THE EDUCATING COMMUNITY, THE
8 SCHOOLS AND THE YOUNG FOLKS WHO ARE THE TARGETS OF THESE
9 CONCERTS EXACTLY WHAT YOU SAID AND REPEAT IT OVER AND OVER
10 AGAIN SO THAT THEY UNDERSTAND ALMOST VISCERALLY WHAT THE RISKS
11 ARE AND WHAT THE TELLTALE SIGNS OF TROUBLE ARE. AND SO
12 SEPARATE AND APART FROM WHATEVER THE COLISEUM IS GOING TO DO,
13 AND THE COLISEUM IS GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH ITS ISSUES AT
14 THE COLISEUM, THIS IS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE MORE THAN ANYTHING
15 ELSE. AND THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES ARE
16 TO INFORM AND EDUCATE. AND THAT'S WHAT I THINK THIS MOTION IS
17 ASKING YOU TO DO, CONVENE A TASKFORCE WHICH CAN GET THAT
18 MESSAGE ACROSS SUCCINCTLY AND CLEARLY TO EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND
19 CHILD IN OUR COUNTY. THANKS, MADAM CHAIR. I WOULD MOVE
20 APPROVAL.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, AS THE CO-MAKER OF THE MOTION, I
23 MEAN, I WOULD AGREE WITH ALL OF THAT. THE ONE THING AS FAR AS
24 EDUCATION THAT I THINK MIGHT BE MISSING, IF YOU WANT, IS TO
25 ADD A MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRY I THINK SHOULD BE EDUCATED AND A



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1 PART OF THIS TASKFORCE, AS WELL, TOO. BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THERE
2 ARE SOME LEARNING ISSUES THAT THEY NEED TO DEAL WITH, AS WELL,
3 AND ABOUT THE SEVERITY OF THE ISSUE, THE PROBLEM, AND HOW WE
4 EDUCATE, AS WELL. SO WITH THAT, I'D SECOND THE MOTION AND
5 AMEND IT TO INCLUDE A MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRY.

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST VERY QUICKLY, I THINK GIVEN THE
16 ATTEMPT TO BE COMPREHENSIVE AND INCLUSIVE WARRANTS THE
17 INCLUSION OF A YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE OF SOME SORT. THIS IS THE
18 POPULATION THAT'S MOST DIRECTLY IMPACTED. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME
19 THAT THAT WOULD BE A USEFUL CONSIDERATION GIVEN THE
20 COMPOSITION OF THE TASKFORCE AS IT'S BEING DESIGNATED. I DON'T
21 HAVE A SPECIFIC ENTITY IN MIND, BUT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IF WE
22 WERE TO IDENTIFY ANY SUCH GROUP, THAT WOULD BE USEFUL FROM A
23 LEADERSHIP PERSPECTIVE AND ALSO FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE
24 QUALITY AND DEPTH OF THE REPRESENTATION. AND I WOULD OFFER
25 THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD ACCEPT THAT. AND I THINK WE CAN
3 HELP.

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5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE CAN FIND THOSE REPRESENTATIVES.
6 THAT'S NOT HARD. THANK YOU. VERY GOOD IDEA.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** INDEED.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER. MR. SIMON
11 LAMB? MR. LAMB.

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13 **SIMON LAMB:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SIMON RUSS LAMB AND I'M
14 HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF INSOMNIAC, INC. INSOMNIAC LOOKS
15 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE TASKFORCE, EXAMINING ELECTRONIC
16 MUSIC EVENT SAFETY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE
17 REVIEWED YOUR PROPOSAL, YOUR PROPOSED RESOLUTION REQUESTING A
18 TASKFORCE. ALONG WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE, I FEEL THAT
19 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MUSIC EVENT PROMOTION INDUSTRY SHOULD
20 HAVE A SEAT AT THE TABLE AND PARTICIPATE ON THE TASKFORCE.
21 THESE INDIVIDUALS COULD BOTH INFORM THE REST OF THE GROUP
22 ABOUT THE REALITIES OF THE ELECTRONIC MUSIC EVENT INDUSTRY AND
23 HELP THE TASKFORCE WITH OUTREACH TO THE INDUSTRY AND THE
24 COMMUNITY. INSOMNIAC HOPES THAT THE TASKFORCE, WITH INPUT FROM
25 A BROAD RANGE OF THE COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING



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1 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MUSICAL EVENTS INDUSTRY, WILL CREATE
2 RESPONSIBLE AND REASONABLE RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH CAN BE
3 IMPLEMENTED FOR ALL MUSICAL EVENTS IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I THINK WE HAVE INCORPORATED,
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE INCORPORATED YOUR SUGGESTION AND IT'S PART OF
7 A MOTION NOW. THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
10 IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, I'D LIKE TO MOVE
13 RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM NO. 9.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM NO. 9. AND ASKING FOR
16 RECONSIDERATION? ANY OBJECTION? NONE, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK I WOULD YIELD TO SUPERVISOR
19 ANTONOVICH.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO WHAT IS THE ORIGINAL MOTION?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ORIGINAL MOTION IS THAT WE FUND THE
24 HOLIDAY, THE GRANTS AND THE INTERN.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO THE HOLIDAY -- MR. FUJIOKA, LET ME GO
2 THROUGH THE PRICES, BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE. THE HOLIDAY PROGRAM
3 COSTS \$731,000?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. THAT'S EVERYTHING COMBINED.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW. THIS IS A RESTORATION OF ALL THE
8 MONEY.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION IN FRONT OF ME,
11 BUT I BELIEVE THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION WAS -- I THINK IT WAS IN
12 THE HIGH 600S, ABOUT 700.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE TOTAL AMOUNT IS 731. THE HOLIDAYS IS
15 400 PLUS THE ORGANIZATIONAL GRANTS AROUND 270 SOMETHING AND
16 THE --

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** HOLIDAY WAS 482, ORGANIZATION GRANTS 287, ARTS
19 INTERNSHIP 250.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TOTAL AT 731.

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23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK THAT'S REDUCING THE HOLIDAY
24 CELEBRATION FROM THE ORIGINAL LENGTH DOWN TO A SHORTER TIME



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1 PERIOD, WASN'T THAT IT? DOWN TO THREE HOURS, RIGHT? THAT'S WHY
2 IT WAS A HIGHER NUMBER BEFORE.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DOES THIS FUND IT THE WHOLE AMOUNT? WAS IT
5 FOR 3.8 MILLION OR FOR 731?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 731.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** THE 731 IS AFTER A WRITE DOWN, AND LESS THE ONE-
10 TIME RESTORATION ALREADY OF \$288,000, WHICH WAS A PLACEHOLDER.
11 THAT TOTAL OF 482, 287, AND 250 IS NOT SEVEN SOMETHING BUT IT
12 IS AFTER THE RIGHT AMOUNT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 288 IS PART OF THE 731.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** IT GETS YOU TO THE 731. I WOULD JUST ADD THAT I
17 SUPPORT THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION AND THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND
18 WOULD ASK CONTINUANCE AS IT RELATES TO ORGANIZATIONAL GRANT
19 PROGRAM. OTHERWISE I'M VOTING NO ON THE WHOLE THING.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S JUST CALL THE ROLL ON IT.

22

23 **DON ASHTON:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.



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2 **DON ASHTON:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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6 **DON ASHTON:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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10 **DON ASHTON:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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14 **DON ASHTON:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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18 **DON ASHTON:** THE MOTION CARRIES 3-2.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK I'M HOLDING ANYTHING ELSE?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO. AND THERE ARE NO OTHER ITEMS BEFORE
2 US. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU. DON FRANKEN,
3 PLEASE COME UP. DONNA MEREDITH. DAVID NIETO. AND KIM PETERS.

4

5 **DONNA MEREDITH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME
6 IS DONNA MEREDITH AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING KEEP L.A. RUNNING.
7 IN THE FEW MINUTES THAT YOU HAVE GRANTED ME TODAY, I WOULD
8 LIKE TO MAKE A PLEA TO ACHIEVE YOUR LAST MINUTE SUPPORT FOR
9 OUR 17TH ANNUAL KEEP L.A. RUNNING CHARITY EVENT THAT TAKES
10 PLACE THIS SUNDAY, JULY 11TH, AT DOCKWEILER BEACH. OUR
11 CHAIRPERSON, ALEJANDRO STEVENS, SENT EACH OF YOU A PERSONAL
12 EMAIL WITH DOCUMENTED PROOF THAT SHOULD ERADICATE ANY NEGATIVE
13 PERCEPTION YOU MIGHT HAVE OF HIM. HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
14 FUND AND THE CONFUSION AND MISREPRESENTATION OF THE FACTS
15 BROUGHT ABOUT BY OUR UNION, S.E.I.U. 721, AGAINST KEEP L.A.
16 RUNNING, AN ESTABLISHED AND REPUTABLE FUND THAT BENEFITS
17 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. IT WOULD BE A SHAME IF THE EMPLOYER OF
18 RECORD FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES NOT GIVE A WAIVER OF FEES,
19 ESPECIALLY THE PARKING THAT WOULD COST EVERY PARTICIPANT THE
20 SUM OF \$10 TO ENTER THE PARK. DEAR SUPERVISORS, YOU HAVE
21 GRANTED THIS SAME REQUEST TO OTHER PRIVATE ENTITIES THAT DO
22 NOT BENEFIT YOUR EMPLOYEES. I RECENTLY RETIRED FROM THE COUNTY
23 AFTER MORE THAN 37 YEARS OF SERVICE, 17 OF THOSE I HAVE SERVED
24 AS VICE PRESIDENT OF KEEP L.A. RUNNING. THIS IS A GREAT EVENT
25 FOR A GREAT CAUSE. WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE, NOTHING TO BE



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1 ASHAMED OF. WE ARE PROUD OF WHAT KEEP L.A. RUNNING HAS
2 ACCOMPLISHED. AND I URGE YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO PLEASE WAIVE OUR
3 FEES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **DON FRANKEN:** OKAY DON FRANKEN ON BEHALF OF KEEP L.A. RUNNING.
8 SUPERVISORS, I'M HERE TO URGE YOU AGAIN TO WAIVE THE FEES FOR
9 KEEP L.A. RUNNING AND TO KEEP -- THIS EVENT WAS SUPPORTED FOR
10 17 YEARS BY S.E.I.U. 721. THIS YEAR, THERE WAS A SPLIT BECAUSE
11 BASICALLY THEY'RE, HOW WOULD I SAY? A SEPARATION FROM
12 ALEJANDRO STEVENS WHO HAD FOUNDED THE RACE AND THE EVENT. THE
13 EVENT HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL EVENT THAT'S ALWAYS RAISED MONEY
14 FOR L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AGAIN, HAS DONATED 50,000 TO SYLMAR
15 FIRE VICTIMS AND DONATES WHEN COUNTY EMPLOYEES OFTEN ARE
16 THROWN, OR WHEN THEY LOSE THEIR APARTMENTS, THEY HAVE MEDICAL
17 DIFFICULTIES, THIS IS THEIR EMERGENCY FUND OR SAFETY NET THAT
18 HELPS THEM SURVIVE THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES. IT'S A WONDERFUL,
19 HIGH QUALITY EVENT, WELL-ORGANIZED EVENT THAT'S BEEN AROUND 17
20 YEARS. REGULARLY EVENTS ARE GRANTED PARKING FEE WAIVERS AND
21 OTHER WAIVERS. THIS IS AN EVENT THAT BENEFITS COUNTY
22 EMPLOYEES. I URGE YOU TO PUT ASIDE ANY PROBLEM OR QUESTION,
23 LEGAL MATTER WITH ALEJANDRO STEVENS. THIS IS AN EVENT PUT ON
24 BY A BOARD OF KEEP L.A. RUNNING, ALL OF WHICH ARE CURRENT OR
25 PAST S.E.I.U. 721 MEMBERS. AND, AGAIN, THIS IS AN EVENT THAT



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1 REALLY HELPS PEOPLE. IT WILL SEVERELY DAMAGE THE EVENT IF YOU
2 DON'T WAIVE THE FEES FOR THE EVENT. AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING FOR
3 WEEKS TO GET A COUNCILMEMBER, ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
4 OF SUPERVISORS TO INTRODUCE THIS NOTION. EVERYONE KEEPS
5 PASSING IT ALONG. I URGE YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I URGE YOU
6 AGAIN, THE OTHER SUPERVISORS TO COME TOGETHER, PUT THIS AGENDA
7 BACK ON THE -- PUT THIS BACK ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK'S
8 SUPERVISOR'S MEETING IF YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO WAIVE THE FEES
9 TODAY AT THE MEETING. AGAIN, I REALLY THINK THIS IS A
10 WONDERFUL EVENT ORGANIZED BY GOOD PEOPLE THAT'S BEEN AUDITED
11 EVERY YEAR BY THE UNION, BY, AGAIN, DAN BURKE, THE UNION
12 ACCOUNTANT. IT'S ALSO OUTSIDE AUDIT. THERE'S NEVER BEEN A
13 PROBLEM WITH THIS EVENT. SO, AGAIN, I URGE YOU TO GET BEHIND
14 IT AND AGAIN GIVE US FEE WAIVERS AND SUPPORT THIS EVENT. THANK
15 YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF WE COULD ALSO HAVE ALI MICAH
18 JOIN US AS WELL AS CATHY BROOKS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP. CAN I JUST CLARIFY
21 THAT ITEM 9, THE UNDERLYING MOTION SHOULD HAVE BEEN APPROVED
22 ALSO, NOT JUST THE AMENDMENT. I THOUGHT THAT WAS UNDERSTOOD
23 BUT THERE'S A QUESTION ON THE STAFF'S PART.

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1 **DON ASHTON:** IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE AMENDMENT THAT
2 WAS BROUGHT IN TODAY TOOK THE PLACE OF WHAT WAS ON THE AGENDA.
3 IS THAT NOT CORRECT?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK SO. I THINK IT WAS AN
6 AMENDMENT TO THE ITEM. SO I THINK WE HAVE SOME UNFINISHED
7 BUSINESS. IF I COULD JUST MOVE IT AS AMENDED. MOVE ITEM NO. 9
8 AS AMENDED. I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE TO DO RECONSIDERATION AGAIN.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO. I DON'T THINK SO. I DON'T THINK WE
13 EVER FINISHED IT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, YOU DO.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE KIND OF LEFT IT --

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE'LL HAVE RECONSIDERATION. YOU MOVE
20 RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM 9. ANY OBJECTION?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AS AMENDED BY MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION. I
23 MOVE NO. 9 AS AMENDED BY MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?



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2 **DON ASHTON:** YES. SO THAT MEANS THE ORIGINAL MOTION ON THE
3 AGENDA --

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU'RE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE, IS THAT ALSO
6 TRUE FOR YOU? SO WE WILL HAVE THE SAME VOTES.

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8 **DON ASHTON:** AND THE VOTES WILL STAY THE SAME.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. HOPEFULLY THAT
11 WILL CLEAR THE CONFUSION. I APOLOGIZE. DID MISS MEREDITH
12 SPEAK? YES SHE DID. ALL RIGHT. DAVID NIETO FOLLOWED BY KIM
13 PETERS.

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15 **KIM PETERS:** WE'D ACTUALLY LIKE DAVID TO GO LAST IN OUR GROUP.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY?

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19 **KIM PETERS:** WE'D ACTUALLY LIKE DAVID TO GO LAS IN THE OUR
20 GROUP.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. HOW ABOUT KIM PETERS.

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24 **KIM PETERS:** THAT WOULD BE ME. HELLO MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISORS.
25 MY NAME IS KIM PETERS. I WORK AT THE CLAREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY.



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1 I'M THE CHAIR OF BARGAINING UNIT 811, LIBRARIANS AND LIBRARY
2 ASSISTANTS. I'M HERE TODAY WITH MANY COWORKERS AND LIBRARY
3 STAKEHOLDERS. ON JULY 12TH, THE PUBLIC LIBRARY IS PLANNING TO
4 IMPLEMENT REDUCTIONS IN SERVICES DUE TO BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS.
5 BUT THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT BEEN TRANSPARENT ON HOW IT IS
6 ACHIEVING SAVINGS BY DOING THIS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE 3.2 MILLION
7 CLAIMED IN SAVINGS ARE PART OF THE ELIMINATION OF PERMANENT
8 POSITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN UNDER A HIRING FREEZE FOR THE LAST
9 TWO YEARS. AND AT THE SAME TIME, LIBRARIES HAVE BEEN OPERATING
10 UNDER CURRENT SCHEDULES WITH THE SAME STAFFING WITHOUT
11 COMPROMISING THE QUALITY OF SERVICES WE PROVIDE TO OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. THIS CURRENT REDUCTION OF SERVICES WILL
13 COMPROMISE NOT ONLY THE QUALITY OF BUT THE SERVICES WE OFFER
14 TO OUR COMMUNITIES. THE REDUCTION IN SERVICES WILL REFLECT AN
15 IMPACT TO L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS OF MORE THAN 2600 FEWER DAYS
16 OF SERVICE AND JEOPARDIZES THE QUALITY OF SERVICES WE WILL BE
17 ABLE TO PROVIDE DUE TO FEWER BUT LONGER DAYS OF OPERATION WITH
18 THE SAME STAFF WITH LESS TIME TO PROPERLY PREPARE LIBRARIES
19 FOR OPEN HOURS. AND IN CASE YOU MAY NOT KNOW THIS, LIBRARIES
20 ARE BUSIER THAN EVER. IN THE BEST OF TIMES, WE ARE IN DEMAND
21 FOR LEISURE AND LEARNING. BUT IN ECONOMIC DOWNTURNS, WE ARE A
22 VITAL RESOURCE FOR NOT ONLY LEISURE AND LEARNING BUT FOR
23 PEOPLE TRYING TO HONE THEIR SKILLS, TO KEEP OR FIND JOBS, TO
24 KEEP THEIR HOMES, TO NETWORK ON THE INTERNET, TO KEEP THEIR
25 CHILDREN LEARNING AND GROWING IN THEIR EDUCATIONAL SKILLS.



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1 PUBLIC LIBRARY MANAGEMENT IS PUTTING BIG PRESSURE ON OUR
2 MEMBERS BY MANDATING EMPLOYEES TO A MANDATORY 4/40 WORK
3 SCHEDULE, VIOLATING M.O.U. PROVISIONS AND REFUSING TO CONSIDER
4 HARDSHIP ACCOMMODATIONS AND OFFERING VOLUNTARY 4/40 SCHEDULE
5 WHICH THE DEPARTMENT STATES WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE C.E.O. WE
6 ASK YOU TO LOOK FOR OTHER ALTERNATIVES THAT DO NOT IMPACT
7 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND DESPERATELY NEEDED PROGRAMS THAT
8 BENEFIT OUR CUSTOMERS, THE ADULTS, SENIORS, CHILDREN AND TEENS
9 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
10 DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE ACTIONS AND INCLUDE THE
11 COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND LIBRARY WORKERS TO WORK WITH MANAGEMENT
12 ON HOW BETTER TO OPTIMIZE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY DURING
13 HARD ECONOMIC TIMES. THANK YOU. AND I DO HAVE A FACT SHEET FOR
14 YOU.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ALI?

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18 **MICAH:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
19 MICAH ALI. AND I SERVE IN THE CAPACITY AS VICE PRESIDENT OF
20 THE COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION. BUT
21 TODAY I SIT HERE REPRESENTING THE VARIOUS LIBRARIANS THAT ARE
22 WITHIN THE COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS WELL
23 AS I STAND HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH S.E.I.U. 721 AS WE ASK YOU,
24 THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO LOOK FOR
25 ALTERNATIVE METHODS AS FAR AS FUNDING IS CONCERNED RELATIVE TO



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1 THE REDUCTION IN LIBRARY SERVICES. I'M OFTENTIMES REMINDED
2 THAT LIBRARIES UNDERGIRD THE EDUCATIONAL AND ACADEMIC SYSTEM
3 OF ANY DEVELOPING NATION OR DEVELOPING COUNTRY, MORE
4 SPECIFICALLY A DEVELOPING COUNTY. AND I'M ALSO REMINDED OF THE
5 FACT THAT FREDERICK DOUGLASS ONCE STATED THAT EDUCATION IS
6 EMANCIPATION. AND WITHIN DEALING IN THE CONTEXT OF COMPTON,
7 OUR YOUTH THAT ATTEND OUR SCHOOLS, SOME 28,000, RELY UPON THE
8 LIBRARY SYSTEM TO ASSIST AS FAR AS THAT FREEDOM AND AS FAR AS
9 THAT EMANCIPATION IS CONCERNED. THE COMPTON LIBRARY STANDS TO
10 MOVE FROM FIVE DAYS OPENING HOURS TO FOUR WITH A LOSS OF ONE.
11 IN CARSON, SEVEN DAYS TO FOUR WITH A LOSS OF THREE DAYS. AND
12 WHILE I UNDERSTAND AS A LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL THE NEED TO
13 BALANCE THE BUDGET AS WELL AS THE NEED TO FIND WAYS IN WHICH
14 TO BRING FORTH IMMEDIATE CLOSURE, WE WOULD JUST SIMPLY ASK AND
15 RESPECTFULLY AND HUMBLY PLEA THAT WE LOOK TOWARDS OTHER
16 MEASURES RELATIVE TO TRIMMING COST. I WOULD ASK FOR YOU TO ASK
17 THE DIRECTORS TO FIND OTHER SOLUTIONS. BECAUSE THE CURRENT
18 STATE WOULD DEFINITELY HAVE REVERBERATIONS THROUGHOUT MY
19 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND OTHER DISTRICTS WITHIN THE COUNTY AS A
20 WHOLE. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE YOU MISS BROOKS?

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24 **CATHERINE BROOKS:** HI. MY NAME IS CATHERINE BROOKS. I LIVE IN
25 LAVERNE. I WORK IN ALHAMBRA. I'VE BEEN A LIBRARIAN FOR 25



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1 YEARS. I HAVE A SPLIT PERSONALITY. I WAS A COUNTY LIBRARIAN IN
2 THE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES FOR 13 YEARS. THEN I BECAME A HIGH
3 SCHOOL LIBRARIAN AT ALHAMBRA. I ALSO TEACH A CLASS AT
4 ALHAMBRA, TOO. I'M HERE TODAY TO TRY TO TELL YOU, THE BOARD,
5 WHAT THE IMPACT OF LOSING DAYS OF ACCESSIBILITY AT THE COUNTY
6 LIBRARIES WILL HAVE ON OUR STUDENTS. MOST SCHOOL DISTRICTS
7 HAVE NOW CUT EITHER THE SCHOOL LIBRARIANS, THE LIBRARY CLERKS
8 IN THE ELEMENTARIES OR THE SCHOOL LIBRARIES ALTOGETHER. IN
9 PARTICULAR I'M THINKING RIGHT NOW OF PASADENA. EVEN THOUGH
10 ALHAMBRA HAS A CITY LIBRARY, HUNDREDS OF MY STUDENTS COME FROM
11 ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY TO ALHAMBRA ON PERMITS BECAUSE THEIR
12 PARENTS WORK THERE OR FOR SOME OTHER REASON. ALHAMBRA, YOU MAY
13 NOT KNOW THIS, IS ALSO THE REGIONAL LIBRARY FOR THE DEAF AND
14 HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SO WE HAVE
15 MANY DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS WHO COME TO MY HIGH
16 SCHOOL. BUT THEY LIVE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY. THEY USE
17 THE WEST COVINA REGIONAL LIBRARY, THEY USE SAN GABRIEL, THEY
18 USE ROSEMEAD, ALL OF THE COUNTY LIBRARIES. AND AS WE SCHOOL
19 LIBRARIANS ARE LAID OFF AND THE SCHOOL LIBRARIES CLOSED OR CUT
20 BACK, OUR STUDENTS' LAST LINE OF DEFENSE WILL BE THE COUNTY
21 AND THE CITY LIBRARIES. LOSING DAYS OF ACCESS WILL CREATE A
22 HARDSHIP FOR MANY OF MY STUDENTS WHO NEED THE MATERIALS AND
23 THE SERVICES. YOU WOULD BE SURPRISED AT HOW MANY OF MY KIDS DO
24 NOT HAVE A COMPUTER AT HOME TO USE, AND THEY USE THE LIBRARY'S
25 ON A VERY HEAVY BASIS. I'M ASKING YOU ON BEHALF OF THE



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1 STUDENTS TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT LIBRARY SCHEDULES AT THE
2 COUNTY LIBRARIES AND TO DELAY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY NEW
3 SCHEDULES AND CONSIDER WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS,
4 PARTICULARLY THE SCHOOLS, IF YOU DO HAVE TO DO THIS. AND WE
5 REALLY HOPE THAT YOU DON'T BECAUSE MY KIDS ARE -- USE THE
6 COUNTY LIBRARIES TO A GREAT DEAL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COULD WE HAVE HENRY LO? MOIRA
9 CLEGG AND ARNOLD SACHS? MR. NIETO?

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11 **DAVID NIETO:** HELLO MY NAME IS DAVID NIETO, I'M A LIBRARY
12 ASSISTANT AT THE LYNWOOD LIBRARY. I'M HERE TO TALK TO YOU
13 ABOUT THE FUTURE OF OUR LIBRARIES. THE NEW SCHEDULES WILL
14 IMPACT PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC IN GENERAL. SUMMER
15 READING PROGRAMS WILL BE IMPACTED, YOUNG ADULT READING
16 PROGRAMS, ADULT LITERACY PROGRAMS WHICH ACTUALLY HAS JUST BEEN
17 ELIMINATED RECENTLY. PUBLIC ACCESS TO MATERIALS DUE TO REDUCED
18 OPEN HOURS WILL ALSO BE IMPACTED. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INTERNET,
19 JOB AND ACADEMIC RESEARCH FOR STUDENTS AND ADULTS. AS LIBRARY
20 WORKERS, WE ARE IMPACTED IN DIFFERENT WAYS. FIRST, WE WON'T BE
21 ABLE TO PREPARE OUR LIBRARIES PROPERLY, IMPACTING QUALITY
22 SERVICE. COMPLETIONS OF DAILY TASKS WILL TAKE MUCH LONGER AND
23 CUSTOMERS WILL HAVE TO WAIT EVEN LONGER. HARDSHIP TO LIBRARY
24 WORKERS BEING PLACED ON MANDATORY 4/40 SCHEDULES WHICH ARE NOT
25 BEING CONSIDERED BY THE PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT, FOR



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1 EXAMPLE, SINGLE PARENTS WITH CHILDREN, MEDICAL RESTRICTIONS
2 AND SCHOOLING. WE'RE ASKING YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO
3 MAINTAIN THE CURRENT SCHEDULES THAT WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY AND
4 MAKE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY IS FISCALLY ACCOUNTABLE TO
5 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THE ALLEGED SAVINGS WITH THE
6 DRASTIC CUTS. THIS MORNING THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE LOS
7 ANGELES TIMES OP ED PIECE BY MARILYN JOHNSON WHICH TALKS ABOUT
8 THE LIBRARY SYSTEMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT STATED, "THE SCHOOL
9 LIBRARIES AND PUBLIC LIBRARIES WHICH WE'VE INVESTED DECADES,
10 EVEN CENTURIES OF RESOURCES, WILL DISAPPEAR UNLESS WE FIGHT
11 FOR THEM. THE COMMUNITIES THAT TREASURE AND SUPPORT THESE
12 LIBRARIES WILL HAVE AN UNDENIABLY COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE. THOSE
13 IN CITIES THAT HAVEN'T PRESERVED THEIR LIBRARIES, THOSE LESS
14 FORTUNATE AND BAFFLED BY TECHNOLOGY AND OUR CHILDREN WILL BE
15 THE FIRST TO SUFFER." WE ARE ASKING YOU, THE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS, TO TAKE WHATEVER NECESSARY MEASURES, INCLUDING
17 ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPTIONS THROUGH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
18 DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNTS, TO PRESERVE THE LIBRARIES FOR OUR
19 CHILDREN AND OUR COMMUNITIES. WE'RE ASKING YOU TO STAND WITH
20 US IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. LO? IS HE NOT HERE?
23 MISS CLEGG? MISS CLEGG? IS THAT YOU? YOU'RE NEXT.

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1 **MOIRA CLEGG:** MY NAME IS MOIRA CLEGG. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF
2 LOS ANGELES FOR 50 YEARS. I CAME HERE TO SUGGEST A SOLUTION TO
3 A PROBLEM. SOMETHING'S WRONG AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
4 FAMILY SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, MISS PLOEHN, TELLS US
5 THERE'S A TWO-MONTH BACKLOG OF THOUSANDS OF REPORTS OF
6 POSSIBLE CHILD ABUSE THAT NO ONE'S HAD TIME TO INVESTIGATE.
7 CHILDREN ARE BEING MURDERED BECAUSE D.C.F.S. CAN'T REACH THEM
8 IN TIME. THE WORST PART OF THE PROBLEM IS THAT IT'S BEEN
9 CONTINUING FOR YEARS. MISS PLOEHN SAYS THE DEPARTMENT IS
10 UNDERSTAFFED. SHE SAID EARLIER THIS YEAR THAT SHE WOULD PRESS
11 HARD FOR MORE FUNDING, BUT SHE DID NOT. MY SUGGESTION IS: USE
12 VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU ALREADY USE VOLUNTEERS, RECRUIT MORE.
13 FIRST, SEND THEM TO VISIT D.C.F.S. AND REPORT BACK TO THE
14 BOARD. WHAT DID THEY SEE AT D.C.F.S.? WHAT PLANS ARE UNDERWAY
15 TO CLEAR THE BACKLOG? HOW LONG DOES AN INVESTIGATION USUALLY
16 TAKE? ARE THEY UNDERSTAFFED OR IS IT SOMETHING ELSE? DO THEY
17 SEE THEMSELVES AS EMERGENCY RESPONDERS? THE NEXT STEP WOULD BE
18 TO USE THE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WHERE D.C.F.S. IS FALLING
19 BEHIND. YOU COULD SCREEN THE VOLUNTEERS RIGOROUSLY AND GIVE
20 THEM A FIVE-DAY TRAINING COURSE AS THE CASA PROGRAM DID FOR
21 THE COURTS. WE'RE LOS ANGELES. WE'RE A CITY FANTASTICALLY RICH
22 IN RESOURCES. THERE MUST BE DOZENS OF PEOPLE OUT THERE WITH
23 SOME SPARE TIME WHO COULD SUSTAIN A BACKGROUND CHECK AND BE
24 TRUSTED TO MAKE HOME VISITS. THE DETERRENT EFFECT OF A SIMPLE
25 VISIT ON ABUSIVE PARENTS COULD BE POWERFUL. WE'VE ALL SEEN THE



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1 TRAGIC RESULTS OF TOO LITTLE RESPONSE IN MANY RECENT CASES. MY
2 OBJECT WOULD BE TO HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE AVAILABLE TO REACH ALL
3 HIGH RISK CHILDREN QUICKLY WHEN THEY WERE THE SUBJECTS OF
4 ABUSE REPORTS, WITH SOME KIND OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND SURE
5 FOLLOW UP. I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. I PLAN TO EMAIL MISS MOLINA
6 FOR AN APPOINTMENT AT HER OFFICE TO PRESENT A PLAN IN MORE
7 DETAIL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. YOU MAY
12 HAVE HAD A DIFFERENT COURSE TAKEN DURING YOUR DISCUSSION
13 REGARDING THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA CLINICS THAN THE CITY OF L.A.
14 YOU ARE CERTAINLY GOING DOWN THE SAME STREAM WHEN IT COMES TO
15 THE LIBRARIES. THEY CLOSED, CUT HOURS, ELIMINATED POSITIONS.
16 AND IT SEEMS THAT THE SAME THING IS HAPPENING WITH THE COUNTY.
17 TOO BAD YOU CAN'T FIND A DIFFERENT COURSE OF ACTION TO TAKE
18 THERE. THAT BEING SAID, THERE WAS A NASTY EDITORIAL IN THE
19 DAILY BREEZE I BELIEVE IT WAS FRIDAY REGARDING YOUR ACTION,
20 MAYBE IT WAS A LITTLE EARLIER, REGARDING YOUR ACTION TAKEN OR
21 NOT TAKEN ON THE PENSIONS, PENSION SHORTFALL THAT FACES THE
22 COUNTY. THEY CLAIMED -- AND I FOUND THIS REALLY UNBELIEVABLE -
23 - THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE THEIR HEADS IN THE
24 SAND. NOW, THAT CAN'T BE POSSIBLE. I BELIEVE THE PURVEYORS OF
25 INFORMATION, THE NEWSPAPERS AND THE T.V.S AND THE RADIO, THEY



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1 HAVE THEIR HEADS IN THE SANDS. NOW, YOU MAY INDEED HAVE YOUR
2 HEADS SOMEWHERE, BUT I DON'T BELIEVE IT'S IN THE SANDS. THAT
3 BEING SAID, I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR ARGUMENT REGARDING THE
4 MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND THE FACT THAT THE COUNTY ATTORNEY OPINED
5 REGARDING STATE LAW. BECAUSE I'VE ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING
6 YOUR ACTIONS ON STATE LAWS. I'VE ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING
7 YOUR ACTIONS ON BOARDS, STATE BOARD ACTIONS. I'VE ASKED
8 QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR ACTIONS REGARDING FIVE-SIGNATURE
9 LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF STATE LAW. I'VE ASKED QUESTIONS ON HOW
10 THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY WAS FUNDED, HOW IT WAS
11 FOUNDED, HOW IT WAS DECIDED, HOW IT WAS EMPOWERED. AND I GOT
12 AN ANSWER, ACTUALLY. IT WAS A MOTION BY DIRECTORS MOLINA,
13 FASANA, ANTONOVICH AND LOWENTHAL, FROM AUGUST 2005 AS AMENDED
14 BY DIRECTOR VILLARAIGOSA. WHEREAS THE EXISTING LAW ESTABLISHES
15 THE LOS ANGELES TO PASADENA METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION
16 AUTHORITY, NOW KNOWN AS THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION
17 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY AND GRANTS TO THAT AUTHORITY THE RIGHTS
18 TO CONSTRUCT THE LIGHT RAIL LINE TO PASADENA. MY CURIOSITY IS:
19 WHO MADE THAT MOTION? WHO SECONDED THE MOTION? HOW DO YOU
20 CHANGE STATE LAW? YOU COULD ANSWER THAT QUESTION, YOU COULD
21 SOLVE A LOT OF PROBLEMS. IF YOU CAN'T ANSWER THAT QUESTION,
22 LET ME HELP YOU SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS. I'VE RUN OUT OF TIME.
23 STAY TUNED TO NEXT WEEK. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ANSWERS
24 AND ATTENTION.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NEXT WE HAVE BOBBY COOPER, FOLLOWED BY
2 OSCAR JOHNSON AND THEN JOHN WALSH. COULD YOU BEGIN, MR.
3 COOPER?

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5 **BOBBY COOPER:** YES. MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. I'M HERE TODAY, AS
6 I AM EVERY OTHER WEEK, TRYING TO GET THIS MATTER RESOLVED. THE
7 PROBLEM TODAY IS I'M LIVING AT A PLACE AT 3306 LOMA DRIVE,
8 L.A. 90017, APARTMENT 122. I'M BEING SURVEILLED DAY AND NIGHT,
9 TERRORIZED. NOW, THEY GET SOCIAL WORKERS THAT WON'T DO
10 ANYTHING. THIS IS A WHOLE YEAR I'VE BEEN COMING DOWN HERE.
11 THIS LADY, MANAGEMENT OF THE APARTMENT WHERE I STAY AT, HER
12 NAME IS SAVILAS ALTEREZ, GAVE THESE PEOPLE MY KEY. AND THEY
13 SENT HER ON A VACATION. IT APPEARS THEY BOUGHT HER A NEW CAR
14 OR SOMETHING. SHE DOESN'T REALLY SHOW UP ANYMORE EXCEPT TO
15 SURVEIL ME OR WHEN THEY WANT TO HARASS ME. I REPORTED THIS TO
16 THE POLICE. WE GOT A DEAD MAN NEXT DOOR TO ME. HE WAS SUPPOSED
17 TO BE WATCHING ME. HE WAS LEASING OUT, OR WELL, SUBLEASING HIS
18 APARTMENT TO WHOEVER HIS INSURANCE COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES AND
19 POLICE, UNIT 121, 125, 123 WAS NEXT DOOR TO ME. HE WAS
20 SUPPOSED TO BE WATCHING ME. HE WAS SCARED TO DEATH. HE'S DEAD.
21 MAN WAS IN THIS APARTMENT FIVE DAYS I BELIEVE BECAUSE HE WAS
22 HOMOSEXUAL AND HE PROBABLY WOULD BE TALKATIVE IF HE WAS
23 PRESSURED. MY TELEPHONES ARE BLOCKED AS USUAL. I HAD MY
24 COMPUTER DISK DRIVE TORE UP ON MY COMPUTERS. ALL MY PROPERTY
25 DESTROYED, YOU KNOW, I HAVE TO REPLACE. I'VE JUST REPLACED TWO



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1 KEYBOARDS. I EAT BALONEY SANDWICHES JUST TO FINISH MY WORK.
2 I'M A FILM MAKER. I WORK IN TELEVISION ANIMATION SHOWS AND
3 MUSIC. BUT WHAT I FOUND OUT WAS DURING MY INVESTIGATION OF
4 THIS INSURANCE MATTER WHICH I BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL WHEN
5 I FIRST STARTED COMING DOWN HERE, MR. LARRY PARKER IS THE ONE
6 RESPONSIBLE FOR WHY I CAN'T GET IN MY OWN BANK ACCOUNT. HE WAS
7 INVOLVED IN A NUMBER OF INSURANCE POLICIES. HIM AND PETER
8 WISENER ALONG WITH MARY ANN FOREIGN. SHE'S INVOLVED IN AN
9 ASBESTOS SETTLEMENT UP IN DETROIT. YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE
10 FOLLOWED ME AROUND WITH CARS, THREATENED ME. I HAD MY
11 TELEPHONE NEW I JUST GOT, A GUY CALLED ME ON THE PHONE,
12 HISPANIC GUY TELLS ME F-U, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO KILL YOU,
13 DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? I TOLD THE GUY WHEN I BOUGHT THE
14 PHONE, I SAID, "LOOK IF YOU'RE GOING TO COMPROMISE THE SERVICE
15 PLEASE DON'T TAKE MY MONEY." COST ME AN EXTRA WHAT? TWO OR
16 FIVE DOLLARS? FIFTY DOLLARS, WHATEVER IT WAS. I AM FILING A
17 CLAIM WITH THE COUNTY, WITH REGARDS TO THIS MATTER. AND
18 MOLINA, THIS IS IN YOUR DISTRICT. AND I HAVE THIS D.V.D. FOR
19 YOU. SO THE NEXT TIME I COME HERE, NO ONE CAN SAY THAT I
20 DIDN'T TELL YOU EVERYTHING THAT YOU DIDN'T KNOW. NOBODY'S HEAD
21 IS GOING TO BE ON THE SAND ON THIS ONE. THIS IS THE MAIL
22 TAMPERING. THEY WENT IN THE MAIL, TOOK MY MAIL, TOOK THIS OUT.
23 THIS IS A \$1 MILLION INSURANCE POLICY THAT I'M FILING FOR. THE
24 DEADLINE ON IT WAS JULY 1ST. IT WAS MAILED OUT EXPRESS MAIL
25 JULY -- IT WAS MAILED JUNE 30TH. AND THEY TAMPERED WITH THE



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1 MAIL. WENT IN IT. AND THEY DON'T KNOW HOW I KNOW. YOU KNOW,
2 LOOK -- I'M AN INVESTIGATOR.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. THANK YOU, SIR.

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6 **BOBBY COOPER:** I HOPE YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS. THIS IS IN
7 YOUR DISTRICT. MR. JOHNSON?

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9 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** I THINK MR. WALSH, JOHN, YOU'RE THE SPEAKER.

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11 **JOHN WALSH:** I THINK HE'S NEXT. DO YOU WANT ME TO GO?

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13 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** I'M GOING TO BE LAST.

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15 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
16 EMAIL ME AT HOLLYWOODDEMS@G-MAIL.COM. I HOPE EVERYBODY KNOWS
17 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS CITY. I WENT TO THE CITY COUNCIL. THEY
18 HAVE NO INTEREST. LET ME TELL YOU THE WAY THE CITY COUNCIL IS
19 WORKING THIS. IF THERE'S A RIOT DOWNTOWN, YOU'RE GOING TO BE
20 BLAMED. THAT'S WHAT I WAS TOLD. IT'S THEIR BABY. BUT TAKE A
21 LOOK AT WHAT IT SAYS HERE. THE BLACK BERETS ARE HANDING THIS
22 OUT. INCIDENTALLY, I THINK THERE SHOULD BE A GUILTY VERDICT.
23 IT SAYS THE DAY THE VERDICT IS ANNOUNCED, DAYTIME YOU'RE
24 SUPPOSED TO GO TO THE L.A. CRIMINAL COURT. TEXT MESSAGE.
25 NOTICE OF DATE OF VERDICT. TRIAL. T-R-I-L, AT 213-973-3434.



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1 THEY'RE VERY, VERY ORGANIZED, OKAY? THEY'RE VERY ORGANIZED.
2 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN? AT FIVE P.M., THE SAME DAY, GATHER AT
3 LEIMERT PARK. ARE YOU RESPONSIBLE IF THERE'S A RIOT AT LEIMERT
4 PARK? I'M TELLING YOU, I WAS THE ONE WHO SAID AT CITY COUNCIL
5 SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE THE RIOTING AFTER THE LAKERS VICTORY THAT
6 IT WOULD HAPPEN. THEY SMIRKED. HE WHO SMIRKS LAST SMIRKS BEST.
7 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THIS IS WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THIS CITY.
8 NOW, I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW, IF -- I'M HEARING 50/50 CHANCE
9 FROM THE MEDIA NOT GUILTY. IF THERE IS A NOT GUILTY VERDICT,
10 THESE PEOPLE FROM OAKLAND, THEY ARE SLICK. THEY ARE SMART.
11 THEY HAVE SPENT AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF TIME. THEY CAN'T DO
12 ANYTHING UP THERE IN OAKLAND. THAT'S SHUT DOWN. BUT HERE, IT'S
13 SUN AND FUN AND NO ONE IS PAYING A DAMNED BIT OF ATTENTION TO
14 WHAT'S HAPPENING BECAUSE THE NATIONAL MEDIA HASN'T TALKED
15 ABOUT IT. BUT WHEN L.A. IS ON FIRE, AND I'M TELLING YOU,
16 GETTING MESELET, IF HE WALKS OUT OF THAT BUILDING WITH IT
17 BEING SURROUNDED, LOOK WHAT THEY DID LAST TIME WHEN WE HAD THE
18 ANTI- WE HAD AN ANTI-SEMITIC, NAZI GROUP, THOSE WERE THE
19 ANARCHISTS. THE ANARCHISTS CAME DOWN HERE, ORGANIZED IT, IT
20 WAS A BIG SUCCESS. THIS IS WHAT'S HAPPENING. NOW AS FAR AS THE
21 L.A. TIMES, -- WE CAN'T BELIEVE ANYTHING THE L.A. TIMES SAYS.
22 AND THANK YOU FOR EXPOSING THE HOAX THAT THE L.A. TIMES IS.
23 THIS IS THE L.A. TIMES JULY 1ST. THAT'S JULY FOOL'S DAY.
24 UNIVERSAL CITY STUDIOS PARTIALLY DESTROYED? EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.
25 THIS IS ALL B.S. THIS IS PSYCHOTIC. ZELL IS LEAVING. IN



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1 AUGUST, ZELL WILL NO LONGER OWN THE NEWSPAPER, THE DEBTORS
2 WILL. AND THAT'S WHEN ALL OF THESE EDITORS, HARTENTEN, ALL OF
3 THEM WILL BE REMOVED. FROM HOLLYWOOD SIGN FOUND IN THE
4 STREET. IT'S INSANITY. I'M TELLING YOU WATCH OUT FOR WHAT'S
5 HAPPENING IN THE CITY.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. WALSH. WE HAVE NOW OSCAR
8 JOHNSON. MR. JOHNSON?

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10 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES, MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
11 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR
12 CULTURAL CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK GOD FOR PRESIDENT BARACK
13 OBAMA. THANK GOD FOR HIS WIFE, MISS MICHELLE OBAMA. I THINK
14 IT'S TIME FOR AMERICANS TO HAVE A RELIGION EDUCATION. A
15 RELIGION THAT IS PURE. SURELY THE PURE RELIGION IS TO WORSHIP
16 GOD ONLY. WE HAVE THE HOLY BOOK. WE KNOW THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS
17 THAT KNOWS THE HOLY BOOK. UNITY AND LEADERSHIP AND TRY TO
18 BRING SALVATION TO ALL MANKIND BECAUSE SATAN IS AN ENEMY TO
19 ALL MANKIND. THE LAST MISSION OF GOD SAYS SPREAD KINDNESS. GOD
20 LOVES THOSE WHO ARE KIND. WE SHOULD END CORRUPTION IN
21 GOVERNMENT. END ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION. ONE WRITER SAID THE
22 POLITICS WAS NEVER ORGANIZED CRIME THE CRIMINALS ARE THE
23 WORST. WE SHOULD PENALIZE THE BUSINESSES THAT HIRE THE ILLEGAL
24 IMMIGRANTS. WE SHOULD PENALIZE THE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE OFF
25 RECORD BUSINESS. NO RECORD, NO PAPERWORK FOR THE EMPLOYEES.



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1 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SAID WE HAVE FAR TOO MANY BUSINESSES
2 THAT ARE NOT PAYING TAXES. WE SHOULD COME TOGETHER AND WORK
3 TOGETHER WITH PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. WE NEED JOBS. WE NEED
4 JOBS TRAINING. WE SHOULD CLEAN THE DRUGS OFF OF SKID ROW. WE
5 SHOULD REMOVE THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN OFF OF SKID ROW. WE ONLY
6 SEE AFRICAN-AMERICAN PEOPLES IN A VERY INFERIOR POSITION ON
7 SKID ROW YEAR AFTER YEAR. WE SHOULD STRIVE FOR TRUTH AND
8 JUSTICE FOR TOMORROW BECAUSE IF WE DON'T, TOMORROW WILL BE THE
9 SAME AS TODAY. HYPOCRISY, DECEIT AND BROKEN PROMISES. WE
10 SHOULD END GOVERNMENT WASTE, END CONSTRUCTION FRAUD. WE SHOULD
11 GO INTO A MORAL DIRECTION. WE HAVE LOST OUR MORALS. WE HAVE
12 LOST OUR MARBLES. WE SHOULD TRY TO REGAIN OUR SPIRITUAL
13 AWAKENING IN THIS COUNTRY, THOUGH. TOO MANY PEOPLE ARE SINGLE
14 TODAY. WE HAVE OUR MARRIAGES ARE FAILING US, OUR HOMES ARE
15 FAILING US, OUR FAMILIES ARE FAILING US. WE NEED JOBS. WE NEED
16 EDUCATION. WE NEED TO SEE A BETTER FUTURE FOR TOMORROW. WE
17 SHOULD LEAD BY EXAMPLE. THERE'S NO ONE DOING ANY DUTY TODAY.
18 RELIGIOUS PEOPLE ARE NOT DOING NO DUTY. THE GOVERNMENT PEOPLE
19 ARE NOT DOING NO DUTY. AND THAT'S NOT AMERICA. THE THREE MAJOR
20 DOCUMENTS IN THIS COUNTRY IS THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
21 AND THE CONSTITUTION AND THE BILL OF RIGHTS. THE DECLARATION
22 OF RIGHTS IS THE RIGHT TO INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO DEFEND ONE'S
23 SELF AGAINST GOVERNMENT. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DECLARATION IS
24 THE PRINCIPLE THAT GOVERNMENT EXISTS TO BENEFIT THE PEOPLE AND
25 NOT JUST THE RULERS. WE SHOULD HAVE COURT FOR ANY LAW



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1 ENFORCEMENT USING CRIMINAL, USE A GUN ON OFFENSE. ANYONE THAT
2 SHOOTS OR KILLS ON AN OFFENSE, IT SHOULD BE A CRIMINAL COURT.
3 WE SHOULD ASK FOR CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. OUR COUNTRY IS FOUNDED
4 UPON RELIGION, THOUGH. AND ALL RELIGION SAYS CAPITAL
5 PUNISHMENT. ALL RELIGION MEANS SOMETHING CLEAN. WE SHOULD GO
6 IN A NEW DIRECTION. WE SHOULD ASK GOD TO GIVE US MORE STRENGTH
7 TO BE BETTER PEOPLE AND WE SHOULD COME TOGETHER AND TRY TO
8 MAKE AMERICA A BETTER COUNTRY.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO
11 HAVE EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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13 **DON ASHTON:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE
14 IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN
15 CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
16 NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM
17 NO. CS-3, CONFERENCE OF LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
18 LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
19 AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010**

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5 No Reportable action was taken on items CS-1 or CS-3. Item CS-
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